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College to close industrial arts program in 1990

Lone instructor calls
move 'a big mistake'

BY CHRISTOPHER A. CLARK
MANAGING EDITOR

Elimination of the industrial arts program by the Board of Regents has the sole instructor in the program calling the move "a big mistake." At Friday's meeting, the Board voted unanimously to shut down the program by 1990, which would generate \$78,000 in funds for reallocation. According to Dr. Floyd Belk, vice president for academic affairs, 16 students are majoring in industrial arts, which represents "very light

enrollment."

Jim Davis, instructor of industrial arts, calls Belk's number of majors "erroneous." "We will have 35 majors by the end of next year, but that has no consequence now," said Davis, who has agreed to remain another year to teach industrial arts. "We have the second biggest industrial arts program in the state."

"There is a definite demand for industrial arts teachers in this country," said Davis. "For every three graduates, there are five openings. There is better than a 100 percent chance of a graduate getting a job. But now they have just shot the heck out of it."

Brian Doubet, a senior from Carthage, said administrators "aren't giving Mr.

Davis a chance."

"He's been responsible for increasing the number of students by 43 percent," Doubet said.

Craig Fasken, a sophomore from Carthage, said the "move may be best for the College right now, but it could be damaging to the students in the long run."

James Maupin, dean of the school of technology, said demand for the program does not justify its retention.

"The quality of the program is not in question here," Maupin said. "The demand for industrial arts has decreased quite significantly in the last three or four years. Therefore, this decision is in our best interest."

Phase-out of the program will be com-

pleted by June 1990. This will give current industrial arts majors the opportunity to finish their degrees.

"Our intention is to give the students who are already pursuing the degree the opportunity to complete the degree," said Maupin. "This is just one of those situations where demand has been steadily going down."

According to Maupin, monies generated from the program's elimination would remain in the school of technology.

"We can reallocate those resources to areas where we do have the demand," he said.

Davis, who came to Southern in the fall, said the program previously had been operated "like an eighth-grade wood-

working class" and that he has been working to "turn this into a professional program."

"If they would have kept the program, I would have tried to add a new class each semester to keep the program interesting and exciting," said Davis.

"This is not something that we enjoy doing," said Belk. "But this would be rather costly to continue the program."

Some Board members said they had received phone calls at home when angry parents learned of a then-rumored elimination of the program. Belk has met with all majors in the program to make them aware of the elimination and how they can finish the requirements for their degree.

'Tough losses' bring end to Williams' career here

Frazier expects 100 applications for position

BY ROBERT J. SMITH
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

After 12 seasons as the head basketball coach of Missouri Southern, Chuck Williams announced his resignation Monday, effective at the end of his current contract.

Williams said the move was in his "best interest both personally and professionally."

"We all know and see the things up front—the wins and losses," he said. "We have had our share of good games, good times, big wins, and tough losses. Unfortunately, the last couple of years we have not been too plentiful in the win column."

According to Williams, he had considered leaving the position over a year ago. "I think it was a mutual decision," he said. "It was time for a change."

Williams, 39, said the most difficult part of his resignation was telling his team and 10-year-old daughter about it.

"You could have heard a pin drop when I told them (the players)," he said.

Jim Frazier, men's athletic director, said the resignation was not "too much of a shock."

"The College's administration accepts the resignation of Chuck Williams with the best interests of the institution and the personal wishes of Coach Williams in mind," he said. "He was given the opportunity to resign. He did resign."

Williams, who had compiled a 173-136 career record following the 1986-87 season, watched his squads win only eight games during the next two years.

"We recruited some players that were not good people last year," he said. "I don't think we're too far from having a good ballclub in the future."

Frazier said a national search for a replacement will begin immediately to fill the position. A search committee will be



Chuck Williams

assembled this week to help review applications. Applications will be accepted through March 20, and a new head coach will be named by April 1.

The 10-member search committee consists of Robert Higgins, president of the Board of Regents; Dr. Max Oldham, head of the physical education department; Bernie Johnson, faculty representative; Wayne Harrell, faculty athletic representative; Jim Seger, chairman of the Lionbackers steering committee; Janet Gabriel, women's head basketball coach; Al Cade, assistant football coach; Doug Carnahan, assistant to the vice president for student services; Tony Logan, former player; and Frazier.

"We would prefer someone with head coaching experience," said Frazier, who will chair the search committee.

According to Frazier, the committee will look at junior college coaches, high school coaches, and assistant coaches from major universities.

He said the lack of recruiting experience will be a consideration when it comes to interested high school coaches.

"You're always taking a chance when it comes to recruiting with a high school coach," Frazier said.

The committee expects to receive about 100 applications for the position.

"I've had 25 phone calls, but everyone knows they have until March 20 to get their applications in," Frazier said. "We've had a pretty good initial response."

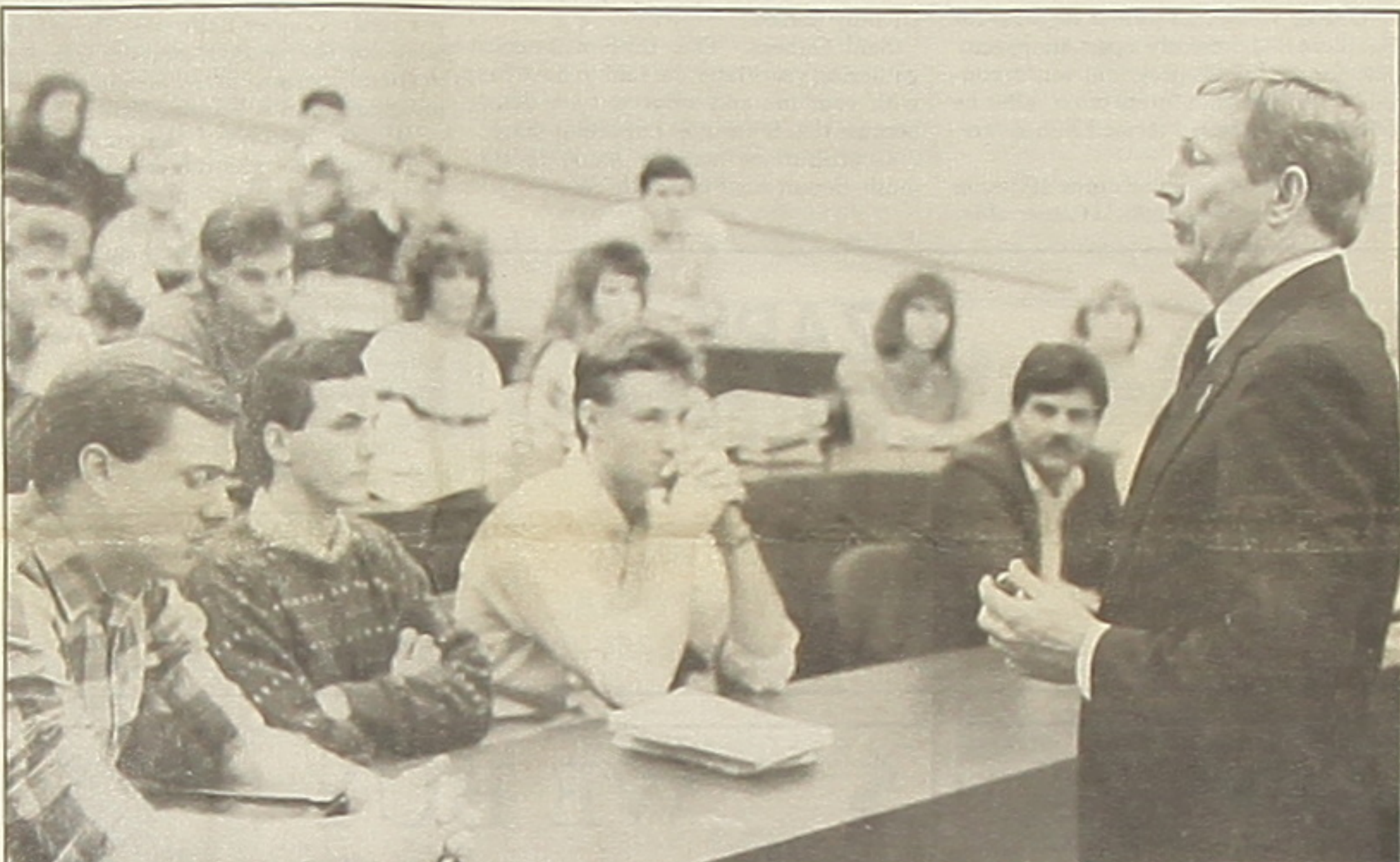
During the press conference, Williams pointed out three factors he believes were important in his program:

■ Thirty of 38 seniors who have gone through the program have received College degrees. He said all of his current players are "more than capable of receiving a degree from Missouri Southern."

■ There have never been "insinuations of probation, illegal payments to athletes, grades given and the like."

■ His own efforts "to do a good job as a classroom teacher." He has been evaluated in the "highest teaching category."

Williams, with two games remaining this weekend, has a 181-179 record at Southern. His teams have reached the NAIA District 16 playoffs seven times.



STAFF PHOTO BY NICK COBLE

Treasurer visits

Students had the opportunity to listen to Missouri State Treasurer Wendell Bailey, re-elected in November, as he visited Missouri Southern Tuesday. Bailey spoke to business classes in Matthews Hall about his MO-BUCKS program. The program makes loans to small businesses.

Israel: seniors must take examination

BY ROBERT J. SMITH
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

The possibility of students just "filling in the blanks" on the ACT COMP test will not effect Missouri Southern's assessment ability, says Dr. Betty Israel, director of assessment.

Seniors have the option of taking the assessment test tomorrow or Saturday. But a few students are protesting the test.

"At this point and time the administration requires it for graduation, and diplomas will be held if assessment is not completed," Israel said. "The only way to get out of it is to request an exemption from Dr. Floyd Belk [vice president for academic affairs]."

Robert Higgins, president of the Board of Regents, told the Regents Friday that the College needs to administer the test. "People say they want to know how well our kids are learning, and I think we have an obligation to find out," Higgins said. "It is very important to measure the effectiveness of our programs."

Israel said her role is that of a data collector.

"My position is to help the College collect data that will assess programs at Missouri Southern," she said.

According to Israel, departments will be required to have their own student assessments installed by this fall. Seven departments will have some type of assessment program this semester.

"This year the departments have the option of assessing in their major."

Israel said about one-third of the 299 seniors required to take the ACT COMP test have registered to this point. She said only an extremely small percentage of students have opposed taking the test. She said she is uncertain what effect the students threatening to make little or no effort on the test will have.

"It's really too early to tell how it will effect it," Israel said. "Right now, the students coming in are just as positive as

can be. It's just kind of matter of fact."

The ACT COMP test has been optional for seniors the last two years. This is the first year seniors have been required to take it before graduation.

"The benefactors will be future students. Faculty will look at areas that are strong and ones we would like to improve."

Israel cited the purpose of the program as "program improvement."

"It is not designed to reflect on their records. In fact, the data is not included in their permanent files. Only group data is used for analysis."

Senior threatens action if diploma is withheld

BY CHRISTOPHER A. CLARK
MANAGING EDITOR

Recent controversy over mandatory participation in the ACT COMP test has at least one senior threatening the College with legal action.

LaDonna Hempel, a senior communications major, has completed all requirements for graduation with the exception of participation in the testing. Hempel, who has sought counsel on the matter, said her lawyer would file suit if the College denied her a diploma.

"If they refuse my degree, I will have to take them to court," Hempel said. "We have a breach of contract on the part of the College. It's like buying a car and the dealer telling you that you have to pay \$200 extra for the keys."

Hempel, who took the initial ACT admissions test in 1973, believes the results from the ACT COMP would be highly inaccurate due to the length of time between the two tests.

"Things have changed so much; I just don't see how accurate this test can be," she said. "The results won't have any bearing in this case."

"A lot of my friends also feel strongly about this, but I don't want to say one way or the other how they will handle it."

College President Julio Leon has appointed a committee comprised of students and faculty to address the assessment issue. Students on the assessment committee are Robert Stokes, Senate president; Sara Woods, Senate secretary; and Leigh Sligar, senator. Faculty members on the committee are Faculty Senate President Paul Teverow; Dr. Rosanne Joyner, assistant professor of education; and Dr. Betty Israel, director of assessment.

Students will lobby at Capitol

In an effort to "promote Missouri Southern," the Student Senate will make its annual trek to Jefferson City next week to meet with legislators.

"The main goal is to promote the College," said Doug Carnahan, Senate adviser. "It's an informal chance for us to tell the legislators about Southern."

Some 25 senators will depart Monday for the two-day trip. Students will tour the Capitol, attend committee meetings, and serve a luncheon on Tuesday.

"We try to invite all the representatives to the luncheon," Carnahan said. "People like Mel Carnahan, Roy Blunt, Bill Webster, and members of the Coordinating Board for Higher Education will be invited. In past years, most of those people have shown up."

The Senate has set aside \$2,500 for the Jefferson City trip, although it probably will not spend that much.

"We plan on about 400 people coming to the luncheon," Carnahan said. "That is where most of the cost goes."

"We need to work at the luncheon. The senators are going to have to go up and introduce themselves to people they probably won't know. It's going to be a challenge."

The Senate was addressed during its regular meeting last night by College President Julio Leon on some of the current issues concerning Southern.

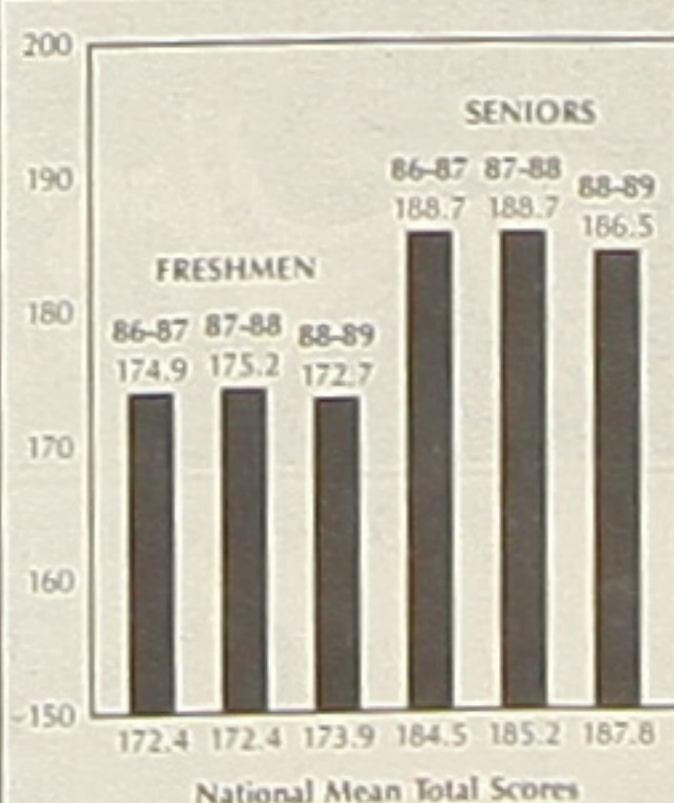
With the senators' effort in its eighth year, Carnahan said the Senate has learned how to improve its approach.

"We're not lobbyists, but we're up there in that capacity," he said. "We do some hand shaking, but the bottom line is we tell them not to forget about Missouri Southern."

"Missouri Southern has an identity problem, and this helps it."

Missouri Southern's ACT COMP scores

Freshman, senior
mean total scores, 1986-89



According to ACT, and based on data it has compiled, Southern's score growth from the freshman year to the senior year is "highly significant."

Source: Dr. Betty Israel

STAFF CHART BY MARK R. MULLIK

Colleagues remember deceased voice teacher

Oliver Sovereign taught at College for 24 years

BY JIMMY L. SEXTON
CAMPUS EDITOR

Oliver Sovereign, a Joplin musician, died at his home Friday after a short illness.

Sovereign, 82, a former assistant professor of music, was employed by Joplin Junior College and Missouri Southern from 1947-71. He served as the choir instructor at JJC and was director of several music groups at Southern. After retiring in 1971, he continued to teach privately in the Joplin area.

Many instructors still at the College who worked with Sovereign remember him as a caring individual who would do anything for anyone.

"I've been associated with Mr. Sovereign in one way or another for 33 years," said Bill Elliott, associate professor of music. "As my teacher, colleague, and as a close friend I found him to be a remarkable and well-rounded person."

Elliott said Sovereign had a "real warm personality" and was "genuinely interested in others."

According to Elliott, Sovereign loved reading great books, attending various concerts, and was equally at home with gardening.

"I remember he always had a good time fishing, and he just really enjoyed life," Elliott said. "He did a very fine job when he was here, and he was very dearly missed after he left."

George Volmert, a former registrar for Southern and presently a part-time secretary for the honors program, was in contact with Sovereign "quite often" after he left the College. He termed him a "tremendous musician."

Sovereign, who studied music at Boston University, the New England Conservatory

of Music at New York City, and with several prominent individual teachers, also taught for 15 years at Joplin High School.

Another Southern instructor who remembers Sovereign as a "wonderful man" is Dr. Conrad Gubera, associate professor of sociology.

"I was in his choir at the [Joplin] Junior College in 1959-60," said Gubera. "I was more or less drafted into the choir because he was in need of male and bass voices."

"He had the unique ability of taking people who couldn't read music and making the music enjoyable and the person became comfortable with it."

Gubera describes Sovereign as a "very astute and well-disciplined individual with a great sense of humor."

"One of the things I admired about him was that we (the choir) always sang without music," Gubera said. "Many of the choirs around read their music, but we never did."

"You couldn't have wanted a better person in front of a choir."

Cleetis Headlee, an emeritus professor of English at Southern, said Sovereign always expected the best from his students and they really produced for him.

"It was always a pleasure to listen to his group's performances," said Headlee, "and I know thousands of people he never knew who enjoyed his performances."

Headlee said Sovereign was an "excellent teacher and a socially gracious and friendly person."

Said Gubera, "One time at a social gathering years later, he said to have fun with your life and what you are doing because that is the most important thing."

Contributions may be made to the music department at Southern.



CHART FILE PHOTO

Former teacher Oliver Sovereign directs the orchestra at Joplin Junior College in the 1960s. Sovereign died Friday.

NAACP to hold program here

Cultural event includes dancing, poetry, singing

Concluding its annual Black History Month observance, the Joplin chapter of the NAACP will co-sponsor a presentation focusing on the achievements of black women in history.

The program is set for 8 p.m. tomorrow in the Connor Ballroom. There is no admission charge, and "everyone is invited to attend" because many people view the presentation as a learning experience.

"This is just one of the many things we're doing to celebrate black history," said Patsy Robinson, president of the Joplin NAACP. "This is going to be a very entertaining evening, and I think it will be a learning experience for anyone who attends."

The program's theme, "Black Women Achievements Against the Odds," will depict accomplishments in many different areas.

"There will be resource people for each of the areas covered: religion, education,

business, cosmetology, nursing, sports, and last but not least, civil rights," said Robinson.

"There will also be a narrator who narrates and introduces each topic."

According to Dr. Allen Merriam, professor of communications at Southern and a member of the NAACP, this is a cultural event with much entertainment and significance.

"This event is celebrating Black History Month," said Merriam, "which highlights the cultural achievements of black people in the United States."

In between the topics of discussion, the entertainment will consist of interpretive dances, a poetry reading, and singer Janey Foy.

According to Robinson, various individuals will donate "art things such as pictures and crafts" which will be on exhibit.

Robinson and Merriam expect a "nice turnout" with a mixture of various people.

'Chart' faces restrictions with budget

In order to "stay within its budget," *The Chart* will effect several cost-saving measures for the remainder of the semester.

These measures include:

- The elimination of the March issue;

- The elimination of two issues of *Avalon*, the monthly art-literary magazine published as a *Chart* supplement;

- A reduction in copies printed each week from 3,200 to 2,900;

- A reduction in off-campus travel for staff members.

"These measures should allow us to not exceed our budget for 1988-89," said Chad Stebbins, adviser to *The Chart*. "We've been told that the newspaper must stay within its budget."

The Chart receives an annual appropriation of \$7,560 from the College. Its budget is supplemented through advertising revenues.

"The funding from the College was completely spent by November on typesetting supplies, photographic supplies, and the nine editions we published in September and October," said Stebbins. "The money we take in from advertising has to pay for the rest of the year."

The Chart is still owed \$387 in advertising payments for the fall semester, which compounds the budgetary problem.

"We published 13 editions plus three issues of *Avalon* in the fall," said Stebbins, "while in past semesters we limited ourselves to 12 editions and two *Avalons*. Since the semesters are longer now, we felt we needed 13 editions of *The Chart* to serve our readers."

With the elimination of the March 9 edition, *The Chart* would publish 12 issues this semester.

"We're looking at some alternate ways of raising funding," said Stebbins. "The staff has scheduled a car wash for April 8, and we're exploring another possibility."

Avalon will publish its first edition of the semester on March 2.

"We've been asking for donations to keep *Avalon* going," said Mark Mulick, editor. "Unless we receive some, the March 2 issue will be the final one."



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Panel meets to discuss solid waste

BY JOHN FORD
CITY NEWS EDITOR

Solid waste disposal was the topic of discussion at a public meeting held in Reynolds Hall last Thursday.

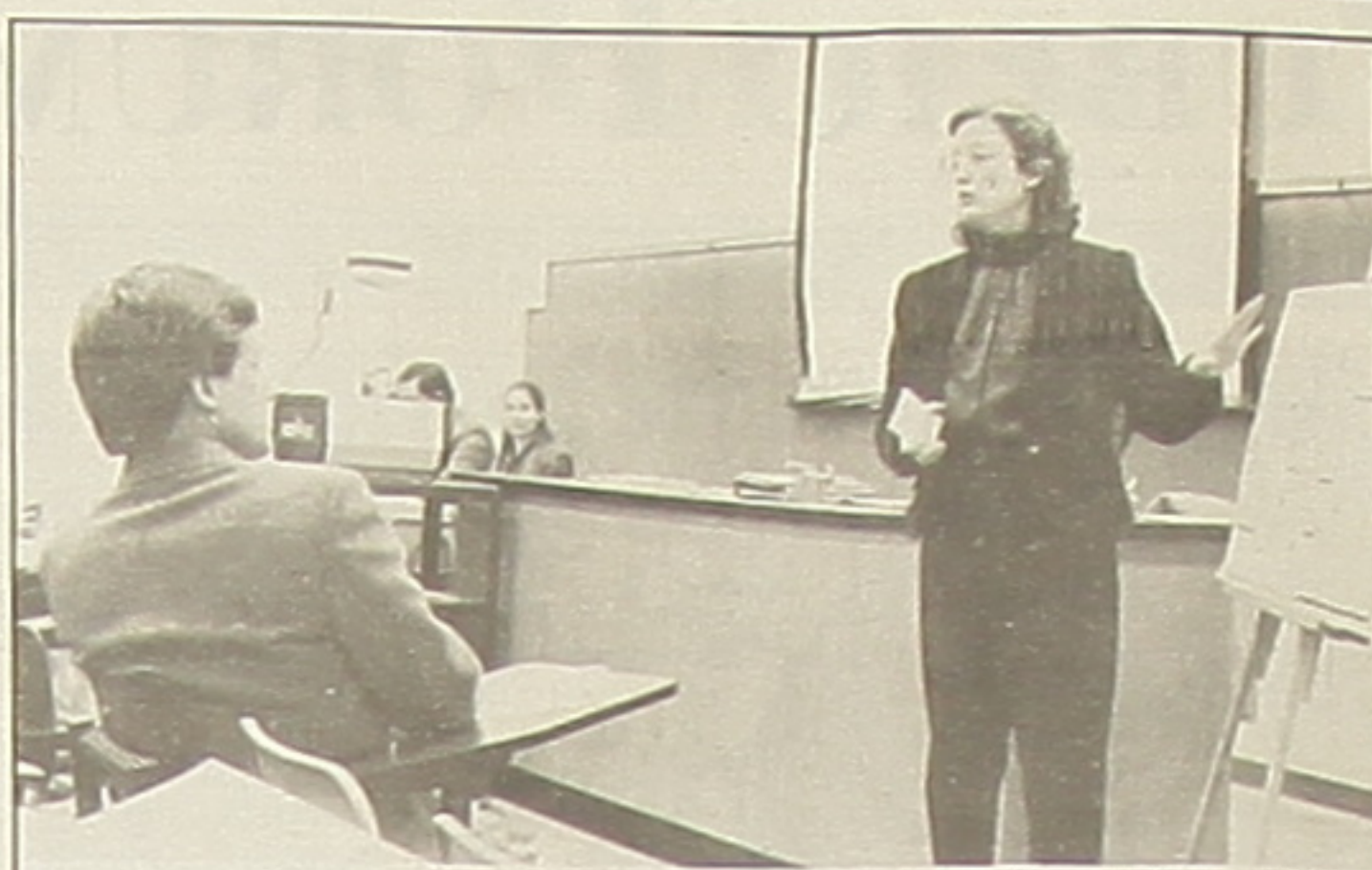
An estimated group of 80 attended the two-hour session. A panel of five solid and chemical waste disposal experts spoke about solid waste planning, recycling, composting, incineration, and the problems regarding landfills which face communities. In addition, the magnitude of the solid waste problem was discussed. The floor was then opened for a brief question and answer period near the meeting's end.

Lorence Boyt, director of the waste-water technology program at Crowder College, discussed alternatives to disposing of solid waste in landfills.

"Our part of the state is one of the most critical areas in regard to solid waste disposal," said Boyt. "There are several alternatives to landfills that residents can take. First, there's waste reduction, which is one of the primary parts of solid waste disposal. Then there's material and energy recovery. Material recovery is going to be one of the most primary aspects in solving the waste problem. We can take garbage and use it to produce energy through incineration. But this has also been a problem in many areas because of ash and concerns of air pollution."

Boyt said in her presentation that there was not a single solution to the solid waste problem, but the solution would require a combination of all alternatives, with regional planning the most crucial step.

Also speaking before the group was Jeanne Hauser, director of Reclaim Associates, a Springfield-based organization which is interested in environmental



STAFF PHOTO BY NICK COBLE

Addresses Jeanne Hauser, director of Reclaim Associates, lectured about landfills last week at Reynolds Hall.

concerns. Hauser, who first became interested in environmental issues when an incinerator was proposed for the Springfield landfill, spoke on the status of regional planning, as well as the difficulties involved with incineration.

"Incineration is wasting our garbage when we could be using it as economic development within our communities," said Hauser. "Both incinerators and landfills create more pollution and are not long-term solutions to the solid waste problem."

Hauser also spoke on the magnitude of the problem, saying it is every citizen's duty to help the government find solutions. She discussed how a bill currently before the Missouri General Assembly would help residents with regional planning.

"Legislative Bill 99 will give us the power to work together," she said. "The liability is so great on landfills and incinerators that cities can't do it (create a regional plan of action) on their own."

Carthage Mayor Harry Rogers, chairman of a regional solid waste advisory committee, discussed the waste disposal problems which face local municipalities. Additionally, he said the local economy

does not favor the installation of an incinerator.

"Our focus at this time should be direct involvement with recycling and composting," Rogers said. "The survey William F. Cosulich [and Associates] did said that just under 50 percent of area residents were very interested in separating their trash [for recycling purposes] at the source, while another 25 percent were moderately interested in it. Recycling and composting are major parts of the solid waste disposal effort."

Rogers said the organization he is involved with is "ready to take the lead" in solid waste disposal efforts.

"The way I feel is we are ready to do something," he said. "We should do everything we can to provide expertise in this area."

Steve Burdic, materials recovery coordinator for Springfield, spoke on recycling and composting. He related composting and recycling to everyday operations on farms throughout the United States.

"In agriculture, waste management has

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Leon addresses students on state lobbying efforts

President remains optimistic about appropriations

BY JOHN FORD
CITY NEWS EDITOR

State lobbying efforts by College President Julio Leon highlighted last night's Student Senate meeting.

Leon spoke regarding his testimony before the Missouri House and his plea for \$8,265,000 in funding for the College. Most of this funding would go to financing the proposed communications and social sciences building, with the remaining funds used for renovation of other campus buildings.

"Last night I spoke before the House budget committee with regards to capital improvement," Leon said. "The CBHE recommended \$7.2 million for the College," Leon said. "The governor recommended us for zero, nothing. We were the only college not recommended for anything, and as a result of that, we were not on the schedule last night. We called and asked to be put on the schedule since we asked for \$8.2 million, and we needed to testify and ask for what we need."

After his House testimony, Leon was approached by two state representatives who wanted to know his top priority, other than funding the new building.

"I had three or four projects in building maintenance, and I chose one as being the most important," Leon said. "Many times I know good and well whatever I'm going to ask for, whether it's funding for a building or items for repair, will not make any difference. The die is cast. We are truly going through the motions many times, but we are given the privilege of testifying and letting our legislators know of our needs, our works, our desires, our hopes, and our aspirations."

Although Leon was disappointed with the lack of funding available to the College, he remains optimistic about budget

appropriations in the future.

"There are five bills which are currently being considered which will increase taxes for higher education," said Leon. "The governor is recommending a tobacco tax which will bring in about \$55 million. There are three bills in the Senate and one in the House."

According to Leon, the House bill will provide \$300 million for post-secondary education. One hundred fifty million will be provided for education in a bill proposed by Sen. John Schneider (D-Florissant) and will be raised with a combination of a tax on tobacco as well as an increased property tax. Sen. Wayne Goode (D-Normandy) proposed a bill to provide \$250 million for state colleges, and Sen. Roger Wilson (D-Columbia) has proposed a higher education bill for \$300 million.

According to Leon, additional funding is needed, not only for the proposed social sciences and communications building, but also for various projects around the campus.

"The state gave us \$2.5 million for the Reynolds Hall addition, and we still don't have enough equipment for the building," said Leon. "If the bills pass, it'll mean more equipment and more faculty."

Leon is hopeful about the future of the College, particularly in the area of enrollment.

"I am very excited about Missouri Southern State College, because I think great things are happening at the College, and you (senators) are a part of it," Leon said. "We'll have another record enrollment of 5,600 to 5,700 students. Our College is one of the fastest-growing institutions in Missouri."

The Senate later appropriated \$512 to the Council for Exceptional Children could attend a conference March 3-4 at the Lake of the Ozarks.



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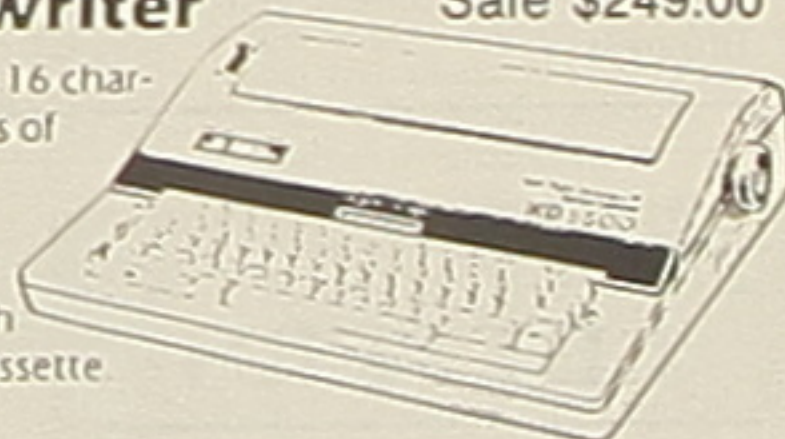
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OUR EDITORIALS

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Seniors should take COMP test

Cooperation apparently doesn't exist at Missouri Southern. Several seniors are protesting the College's required ACT COMP test for a variety of reasons. In our opinion, the reasons for protest are poor ones and don't hold much value.

Some students are threatening to "just fill in the blanks" on the exam. What the students are failing to realize is that the assessment test has direct benefits for the graduating seniors as well as current and future Southern students.

Students need to realize that the assessment test score is not something that ends up on a permanent record. The test is only designed to create and provide program improvement. Test results are used by the College to determine what areas Southern is doing well in and which areas need improvement.

While the College gains an assessment and increased understanding of itself, the graduating students stand to gain as well. In the future, when Southern graduates are looking for jobs, their degrees become enhanced as the College improves and gains increased recognition for its programs. The assessment program offers Southern the opportunity to improve. Without assessment and the ACT COMP test, that improvement becomes much more difficult.

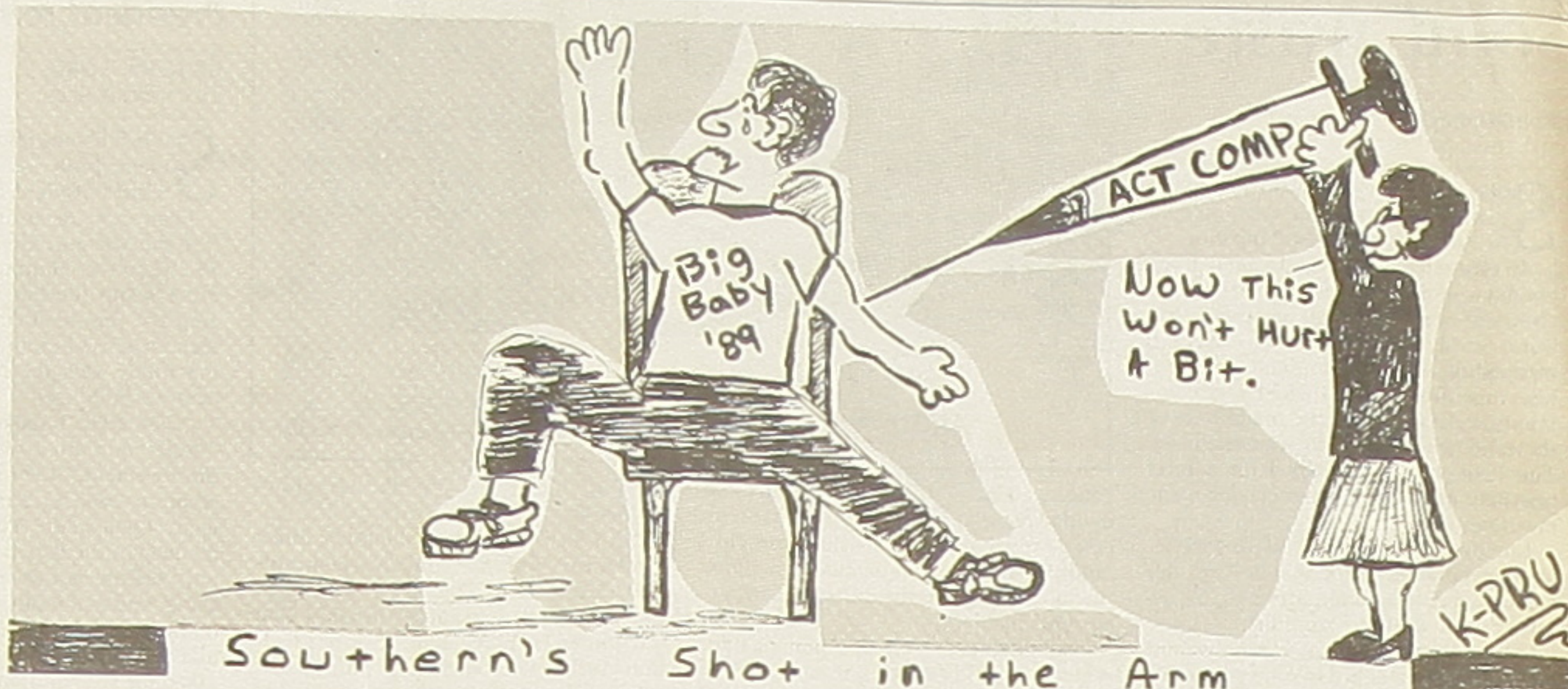
What do students have to lose by taking the ACT COMP test? By taking it, they are helping their College. The students who are threatening to "throw" the results of the test by just filling in the blanks should realize that the Educational Testing Service will kick out any patterned answer sheets. Because the test requires two of four blanks to be filled, it will be difficult to throw the results without effort.

Look to future

Left untarnished by some very tenuous racial circumstances down south, Black History Month has again served to remind citizens that the struggle for civil rights has an enormous history and a promising future.

Cultural events around the four-state area, such as the NAACP/Black Collegians History Presentation tomorrow night, cue us to the horror-filled yet triumphant plights of such men as Malcome X and Martin Luther King, Jr. It was through the efforts of King and others that we are able to hope for a tomorrow that blossoms with equal rights not just for blacks, but for hispanics, orientals and women. These groups' suffrage has been monumental, and one day we will make amends.

We offer our gratitude to those responsible for making Black History something to remember in our area. We now look to next year to chart our progress.



Do citizens have a right to an AK-47?

BY KATY HURN
ARTS EDITOR

As Rob Smith noted in his Feb. 2 column, the issue of gun control has been written and read a thousand times. And he's right.

Actually, the issue had never interested me one way or the other until I read about Laurie Dann, armed with a .357 Magnum pistol, a .22 caliber pistol, and a .32 caliber pistol, killing one student and wounding five others at a Winnetka, Ill. elementary school. I really began to pay attention, though, when in Stockton, Calif., a young man named Patrick Purdy opened fire on a school yard with an AK-47 rifle, killing five children and wounding 30 others and then taking his own life with a 9mm pistol.

I realize the Second Amendment gives citizens the constitutional right to bear arms, and that many are willing to go to great lengths to protect that right. However, when this right begins infringing on the safety of others in as unlikely a place as a school yard, something should be done.

Although I do not care for the thought of guns in general, I particularly have a problem with the sale of semi-automatic weapons, such as the AK-47.



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These machines were specifically designed as a military weapon to be used in a situation of war. They were designed for no other purpose than to kill human beings. Now why would a citizen need to own a weapon like that?

Lately, it seems as though the streets are a commonplace for open fire with the accessibility of such a weapon. It has become so bad that police are outgunned. Normally armed with the six-shot, .38 caliber revolver, the police are trading in this weapon for semi-automatic weapons. Is this good? I do not think so. However, it gives us an idea of the consequences we are facing when in this day and age citizens are able to obtain a weapon of this nature.

Furthermore, citizens who have heard about these senseless massacres are becoming increasingly frightened. Losing confidence in the police, more people are purchasing weapons to arm themselves.

After the massacre in Stockton, citizens flocked to California gun stores to buy weapons for self protection like the one Purdy used. Although in the past Americans normally purchased weapons for the purpose of hunting or sport, a recent survey contends that nearly 50 percent of gun owners list self protection as their reason for gun purchase.

Obviously, it's a vicious cycle. For the wrong person to possess an assault rifle is to be armed and

dangerous, for the law-abiding citizen to be without one is to be unarmed, and perhaps in danger. When we have as many shooting sprees as have been reported lately, it is time to reconsider who should bear arms and what kind of arms they may bear.

We can either sit back and hear about these shootouts and innocent lives being taken, or we can demand that the line be drawn somewhere, and outlaw these killing machines.

Having a seven-year-old brother, the thought has crossed my mind that some lunatic could decide to open fire on the playground at his school and endanger his life. And I am sure that it has crossed the mind of every parent who has a child that age.

Once again, I realize that the Second Amendment gives citizens the constitutional right to bear arms. I only suggest there be stricter control on who can own guns, so that perhaps lunatics like Laurie Dann won't get the chance to do what she did.

As for semi-automatic assault rifles, such as the AK-47, they should be outlawed in every state. There is simply no need for a citizen to own a gun like this.

Too many innocent lives have been lost lately, either as a target, or from being caught in the cross-fire. Society has changed since the Constitution was written, and perhaps it's time to bend it a little to fit the situation. I bet if the framers of the document could see the situation now, they just might agree.

Approach college just like a fine meal

BY DR. JAMES JACKSON
PROFESSOR OF BIOLOGY

We eat out a lot. Last weekend we went to two different restaurants. Friday night, in a hurry to make it to the movies on time, we hurried into a Rangeline all-you-can-eat food bar where we could go back as many times as we wanted. We did; we stuffed ourselves in 24 minutes flat! Saturday night we had a romantic evening in an elegant local eatery. The meal was leisurely, relaxed, and enjoyable, the sole event of the evening rather than a preparatory routine. We took time to laugh, talk, share stories about our week, chat with the waiter, and relish the gourmet cooking for more than two hours. Today, looking back on the weekend, the only memorable thing about the first restaurant was feeling uncomfortably full and so hurried that we now don't even remember what we ate. But the memory of our Saturday night meal will linger and enrich us for months.

Because re-registration is rapidly approaching, it occurs to us that getting an education is very much like eating a meal. Some people gobble down 18 to 25 hours per semester in an all-you-can-eat food bar approach. Later when they look back on their college years, they remember feeling uncomfortably harried and barely remember what they have consumed. Have you ever met someone who, for a few moments, cannot even remember all the classes they are presently taking? You might have just encountered an academic glutton—not an uncommon character on our campus!



IN PERSPECTIVE

What drives these educational gluttons? What makes them rush through too much too fast with too little satisfaction? A drive to finish college in four years, no matter what the circumstances, causes many many people to overload the academic plate. What a naive and inflexible attitude to think: "This is my fourth year—I SHOULD be a senior by now." Believe it or not, there is no commandment that says "Thou shalt finish college in four years."

Others are eager to get college over with so they can get on with LIFE! Aren't we always waiting for the time when we will really experience life?—after we get out of school, after we get the first big job, after the first promotion, after being promoted to "The Big Cheese," after we reach retirement.

Finally, the gophers are delivering our mail and we still haven't really taken the opportunity to experience life. Amazingly enough, college IS life!

There is a prevailing misconception that this gluttony is admirable, that someone who gets 21 hours of 4.0 GPA in one semester has done something notable. How many of us admire the epicure at Bonanza who slurps up a whole bowl of Jell-o in one gulp. An admirable feat, indeed, don't you agree?

"Well," you might be saying, "if I can get 21 hours of A, the courses must not have much to offer in the first place." However, if that is true, it is certainly as much your fault as the instructor's. Only you can educate you. Classes are not merely hoops to jump through; they are rare and valuable opportunities for your growth. If the opportunities are not challenging enough for you, be mature and take the initiative to challenge yourself.

Some jack rabbits bolt swiftly through college to get to the big financial carrot in the professional world. All too quickly they arrive at the same conclusion that some doctors and lawyers and other professional jack rabbits before them have found: The carrot is always a little smaller than you need and you still only have about \$3.58 in your pocket at any one time. But by that time it is too late for

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YOUR LETTERS

Please submit "Letters to the Editor" to The Chart office in Room 117 of Hearn Hall by noon Monday for publication in that week's edition. All letters must be typed or printed neatly, and signed. Letters of fewer than 300 words receive priority consideration.

I support Kimi Malach's stance

I support Kimi Malach's protestation of the ACT Comp for the reasons she cited in her letter printed in *The Chart* last week.

I also question Dr. Leon's response to Mrs. Malach's protest as he is quoted in the Saturday, February 18 edition of *The Joplin Globe*. Dr. Leon is quoted as saying "certain principles are more important than other principles." I believe Mrs. Malach has demonstrated professionalism by choosing the principles related to her intended career. It would appear the psychology department has accomplished an admirable goal with Mrs. Malach by providing her not only with test-

able knowledge, proven in classroom performance and evaluated by certified instructors, but an awareness of issues in the field of psychology. I believe the department has promoted her ability to apply knowledge and professional guidelines now in her own life and genuine care for others, necessary in her chosen field, by speaking out for her peers. I believe Mrs. Malach, a student who takes seriously the APA guidelines, will, in her professional work, reflect very well on her mentors.

Sincerely,
Emily Sanders

Thanks to students, faculty who have supported me

I'd like to take this opportunity to thank all those students and faculty who have cheered and supported me since I stuck my neck out with the Board of Regents in protest over the ACT COMP. Many of these people have written letters, signed the petition that is now circulating, circulated the petition and

pledged to not take, not answer, or "monkey" answer the test. Better yet, lots of other important points have been made about why the test is invalid, unfair, unethical or even illegal. Read these points, then if you agree that the ACT COMP should only be given on a voluntary basis, write or call your protest in to Dr.

Leon, the president of the Board of Regents, Mr. Higgins, or Dr. Betty Israel in Matthews Hall. When, if, you take the test, purposefully do not answer or answer randomly.

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'The fastest changing' street in Joplin

Thirty-second Street has advantages, disadvantages

BY MARK R. MULIK
EXECUTIVE EDITOR

With the development of Joplin's 32nd Street over the past decade comes the speculation that it is the fastest developing street in Joplin. "Three and a half, four years ago, it seemed like the golden boy for construction," said Gary Tonjes, president of the Joplin Chamber of Commerce. "Certainly, it has been one of the fastest growing roads in the city."

Dick Largent, Joplin city planner, does not see 32nd Street as the fastest growing street, however.

Advantages of 32nd Street

■ **Land prices compared to Rangeline:** According to Gil Stevens, president of Brady Stevens Co., one could expect to pay approximately \$87,500 for a lot with 125 front feet on 32nd and \$175,000 for the same size of lot on Rangeline.

■ **Large quantity of undeveloped land:** "It has the greatest opportunity for development, because it has the greatest amount of undeveloped land," said Harold McCoy, Joplin public works director.

■ **Residential accessibility to conveniences:** As studies have shown Joplin is growing to the south, 32nd Street is becoming a major arterial street of Joplin. Residential needs for grocery stores, banks, and convenience stores have caused such conveniences to appear on 32nd Street.

late 1970s "laid the groundwork" for being a major arterial street for the city, said Harold McCoy, Joplin public works director.

"Rangeline and other major arterials were saturated with development," said McCoy. "Thirty-second was the obvious choice for strip development—commercial uses."

"Thirty-second street has been one of the premier development areas in Joplin," said Largent. "Years ago, when it was a two-lane road, the traffic count was 3,500 to 4,000 vehicles a day. After the widening project, the count increased to about 15,000 vehicles. Right now, it's close to

Rangeline for the same size lot.

"The bottom line is: Rangeline is certainly more valuable than 32nd in certain locations. If you're sitting next to McDonald's, you might get the price [\$1,200 to \$1,400 per front foot]."

Stevens, who moved his business from downtown Joplin to 32nd Street in 1979, said his was one of the first businesses to move onto 32nd east of Connecticut.

"I don't regret my move at all today," said Stevens.

"Thirty-second Street became really attractive to commerce six to seven years ago," he said. "This is where the city is going."

Said Largent, "Those goods and services that cater to the upper-middle class are fairing well on 32nd, because of the new, upper-middle class neighborhoods that are down there. The businesses went to the people, instead of the people going to the businesses."

"It's more attractive for residents to know they can drive one-half mile to pick up something from the store, rather than having to go four or five miles," said Largent. "The ease of access is a real asset for them."

The disadvantages of 32nd Street include potential traffic problems, zoning restrictions, and the rise of land prices.

"You're going to have restrictions from the city," said Stevens. "For instance, the city won't permit a lot of restaurants going in here."

"Most of 32nd is strip commercial zoning with the qualifier that it's only for light retail and office space," said Largent. "So far, they [the merchants of 32nd Street] have kept that commitment."

Other than the thickening of traffic and the rising of land prices along 32nd, Stevens does not see any other true disadvantages.

"From an economic/commercial/industrial point of view," he said, "32nd Street is the place to be."

As for the future of 32nd Street, McCoy suspects that it will continue to develop.

"It has the greatest opportunity for development, because it has the greatest amount of undeveloped land," he said. "I think you'll see it competing with North Rangeline, which is beginning to develop."

According to Tonjes, an extension of 26th Street in the Jamestown area of Joplin will bring more residences to that section of the city.

"That will push more traffic on 32nd and will bring more development," said Tonjes.

He said he believes the development of 32nd from Rangeline to Davis Blvd. will continue to attract industry.

Tonjes also said he believes the most commercial development of 32nd in the immediate future will occur between Indiana and Rangeline.

20,000 a day."

According to Largent, the city has had a policy of encouraging economic development along roads and streets with high traffic counts, as most businesses want to be on roadways where there is a high traffic volume.

McCoy said he believes 32nd Street is popular for commercial ventures is possibly "because people are generally lazy."

"A lot of offices are along there," said McCoy. "Probably, the offices are there because the housing is out there. We like to travel the minimum distance [in going to work]."

As the offices are closer to the homes,

"Rangeline and other major arterials were saturated with development. Thirty-second was the obvious choice for strip development—commercial uses."

—Harold McCoy, Joplin public works director

"It's just my gut feeling that Joplin will be growing to the south," he said. "The hills to the south are attractive for housing."

Largent said improvements on U.S. Highways 71 and 71-Alternate have spurred Joplin's growth to the south and to the east.

"We've had a constant development trend along 32nd Street since the late 70s,"

so must other conveniences be, he said.

"Off of that area, you're also seeing residential development in the southeast," said McCoy, "and you're seeing commercial development off of that: convenience stores, groceries, banking, and so on."

As for the commercial advantages of 32nd Street, Gil Stevens, president of Brady Stevens Co., believes the land prices on the street are more attractive than

said Largent. "Over half of that property [along 32nd] is zoned and developed for commercial purposes. Along with that commercial zoning, another type of zoning acts as a buffer between commercial and residential. For example, some commercial-zoned areas have a strip behind them which is zoned for multi-family use."

Thirty-second Street's widening in the

those on Rangeline.

In Joplin, property is sold in measurements of front feet—with a price per foot of property fronting a street.

"On 32nd, you'd probably be paying around \$700 per front foot, in lieu of \$1,200 to \$1,400 on Rangeline," said Stevens, whose office is on East 32nd. "It would probably be about \$87,500 for 125 front feet on 32nd and maybe \$175,000 on

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1. Money has exchanged hands thus creating a legal contract between student and school. To change requirements for graduation is to break the contract and maybe the law.

2. Coercing subjects to participate in a study is considered unethical in the healthcare, paralegal, education and psychology fields among others. If MSSC offers these courses of study and wants to raise up ethical, professional alumni, why is it treating us unethically?

3. The ACT COMP is ostensibly supposed to test for critical thinking skills, the ability to form values and communications capabilities. Does that mean if we write good letters of pro-

test, stick to our guns about not taking the test and form the judgement against the test in the first place, that we have "passed" it already?

4. The average age of students at MSSC is 27. Mr. Higgins seems to think we are just a bunch of "kids." At least that is how he referred to us at the board meeting.

5. Dr. Dolenz [sic] of student services refused us the right to place petitions on the bulletin boards. This is why you may have had trouble finding a petition.

Thank you,
Kimi Sue Malach



STAFF PHOTO BY MARK R. MULIK

New plaza Construction workers build what will be Stonebrook Plaza, a medical-related office complex, at 32nd and McClelland.

Roadway has long history

BY JOHN FORD
CITY NEWS EDITOR

Having lived on Joplin's 32nd Street for 45 years, R.W. Baker, 86, remembers the 32nd Street of decades ago.

"In the early 40s when we [my wife and I] came out here, it [32nd Street] was a blacktop road about eight to 10 feet wide and full of potholes," said Baker. "About 10 years later, another layer of asphalt was put down."

Baker, who was an administrator at Franklin Technical School from 1939-86 and who taught at Joplin Junior College, said 32nd Street was known as County

Line Road, as the road forms the boundary between Jasper and Newton counties.

Before World War II, the road was not well developed, according to Baker.

"On the south side of the corner of Connecticut, there was a house where a veterinarian lived," he said. "On east, there was a house and a dairy that sold raw milk in town. Across from me [in the 2600 block of East 32nd], Mr. Goodhope ran a bus service. On down here [east of Baker's house] was an apple orchard with a small shack, with probably six to seven acres."

Baker said there were no houses between Connecticut and Main Street on 32nd until one- and two-bedroom houses started being built "along there" in the last 10 years.

"From Connecticut to Main—well, there wasn't any houses in there," he said. "The first one was down there where a real estate place was. West of there were two big chat piles. Then, coming west, you come to the greenhouse. There were three houses along there."

Development along the road increased after the war, Baker said, with the addition of more houses east of Connecticut.

"After that came the auto auction [Joplin Auto Auction]," said Baker. "There was a car lot [across from Fellowship Baptist Church] further on. Then, east of that was a little barber shop. Down there where that mall [Southside Center] is—that was nothing but a pond. The corner where the cafeteria and other things are was kind of a ditch with trees."

Thirty-second Street began as a highway project, according to Dick Largent, Joplin city planner. Presently Highway FF, as well, 32nd originally ran from Rangeline to Main Street.

"We widened the road from Rangeline to Duquesne because of the extensive, heavy trucking industry in the area," said Largent.

Largent said the condition of the road in the 1950s and 60s did not allow for much commercial activity.

"Thirty-second Street began to lose some of its rural nature in the late 50s and 60s," said Largent.

"Indiana to Jackson developed very early, in the 40s and 50s. Most of the area on east of Wisconsin has developed since the 50s. Sunnyvale didn't expand its growth until the late 60s, early 70s."

According to Largent, in the mid-1970s, the Joplin zoning and planning committee met with residents of the neighborhood of 32nd Street.

"The outcome of the meeting was mixed," he said. "Those who lived close to 32nd didn't want to see the road changed, but business people were in favor of it."

"As soon as the street was improved to four lanes [in the late 70s], it was like sprinkling magic powder on it."



STAFF PHOTO BY MARK R. MULIK

Development possibility

This crane sits on an empty lot fronting 32nd Street near its intersection with Delaware sits near an old silo and stable, in front of a housing project to the south of 32nd.

Secretarial club offers professional insights

CSI members exchange ideas and experiences

BY ANASTASIA UMLAND
ASSISTANT EDITOR

Providing an opportunity to expand the understanding of the secretarial profession and gain insight to secretarial careers are two of the main purposes of the Collegiate Secretaries International. "This CSI is open to all office administration and business education majors," said Edith Compton, adviser.

The organization, founded at Missouri Southern in 1980, is a subdivision of Professional Secretaries International. The 18-member chapter of the College was sponsored under the Ozark chapter of PSI.

In addition to fund-raising projects, the club receives money from membership dues. Members pay \$3 a year in local dues and \$12 a year to the national chapter. "Although the organization is listed with the College as a campus activity, we do not receive any funding from the administration itself," Compton said.

Compton also said the organization has approached the Student Senate with a request for some money to attend the convention. The reply is still pending.

The membership fee pays for the cost of *The Secretary*, a magazine devoted to news of the secretarial profession. Each member receives this publication four times a year.

"The Collegiate Secretaries International develops discipline and organizational skills."

—Heather McPherson, Collegiate Secretaries president

"The members meet three times a semester to promote the exchange of ideas and experiences among business students with similar career interests," Compton said.

Club president Heather McPherson said the organization is designed to help those students pursuing a degree in office administration learn the techniques of professionalism.

"The information we have received has opened all of our eyes to the business world," McPherson said. "It gives us added training on office environment."

Contents of the meeting included testimonials given by former members on work encounters and a demonstration presented by IBM. Other social gatherings have involved a swim party and a Christmas party.

The highlight of the organization this semester is a trip to the organization's national convention on March 16-18 in Nashville, Tenn. Compton said nine members intend to go.

According to Compton, the group participates in some fund-raising activities, such as selling candy bars.

"The money we raised will pay for the hotel and registration fees for all the members," said Compton.

"We are looking forward to the trip to Nashville," said McPherson. "Topics include how management and secretaries can work together to make a more productive office environment. We will also see new technology for the office."

The international organization includes chapters in Puerto Rico, the Bahamas, the Virgin Islands, and other places. The state of Missouri has eight chapters. Each chapter is governed by a president, vice president, and secretary which are elected each year.

"At the end of each year, the organization writes a newsletter to tell the happenings with all the members, past and present," Compton said.

Even though the organization receives no funding from the College, it does provide a scholarship of \$100 that is available to any student pursuing a degree in office administration.

"We would prefer the recipient be a member of CSI, but that is not a requirement," Compton said. "The recipient must be an office administration major, in need of the scholarship, and have a grade-point average of 2.5."

"Secretaries Day is the highlight of the Professional Secretaries Week," Compton said. "This is a time when all the secretaries are recognized by their bosses with gifts and such."

Compton said the organization overall provides an excellent networking system for its members. Former members frequently call Compton and ask for referrals for a job opening.

"The Collegiate Secretaries International develops discipline and organizational skills," McPherson said. "Being a member in CSI has helped me overcome my shyness in the workplace."



STAFF PHOTO BY MARK ANCELL

Experimenting Southern student James Richards learns about conservation of angular momentum in his physics class.

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the real joys of life: creativity, knowledge, and understanding.

Students are not the only academic gluttons around—some faculty members also gorge themselves on extra evening and summer classes. This is a more serious problem, placing their mental, physical, and professional health in jeopardy, as well as depriving the student of the best teaching conditions.

Sometimes this gluttony is a financial necessity for both students and faculty. These people realize that the quality of their education and professional life suffers as a result. They have our sympathy.

How can we rid this campus of the scourge of academic gluttony? We can enlist the help of two groups: students and advisers. Students can learn to approach

college like a fine meal, an experience to be savored, shared, and remembered for years to come. Enjoy the meal, tasting each course as a delicate dish in itself, and not just a blur of forgettable fodder that will get us to the commencement check-out counter. Have the courage to slow down and creatively delight in the flavor of each class. Be an academic gourmet.

Advisers can instruct students in the art of gourmet learning, insisting that they have time to experience each class individually and offering them an artfully prepared feast in the classroom.

When the summer and fall class schedules come out, they may not say "MENU" on the cover, but we hope you will think of them as such. Bon appetit!

Organizers make effort for Sigma Pi

BY SARA WOODS
STAFF WRITER

With only one fraternity in existence at Missouri Southern, another one is gaining support for charter membership.

Sigma Pi, a national fraternity organization with more than 158 chapters, is garnering supporters at Southern. Seventeen students have shown interest in the organization.

Organizers for the fraternity are preparing letters to send to the national office and also are preparing the constitution for approval by the College's Student Senate. Sigma Pi hopes to be organized by next fall.

Representatives from Epsilon Rho at Drury College in Springfield first met with prospective Southern members in November. According to Jim Portell, a junior who is helping coordinate membership efforts, the group was interested in Southern because the College only has one fraternity—Sigma Nu.

Portell believes a second fraternity will "add a little more character to the campus." He also believes it will draw more students to the College. He said it provides "a good way to meet people."

Portell, who is from St. Louis, remembers five friends who visited Southern but decided to go elsewhere because of the lack of a fraternity atmosphere.

The local chapter of Sigma Pi has a list of objectives based on three ideas: academic excellence, leadership, and campus and community involvement. Portell supports this in saying "I would like to see the fraternity get involved with the community and build a good name for Missouri Southern."

Chapters often get involved with the community. The Drury College chapter holds an annual all-night volleyball for the Multiple Sclerosis Foundation.

Requirements for membership in Sigma Pi include being a full-time Southern student or faculty member and having a cumulative grade-point average of 2.5 or better.

Membership fees include two one-time fees: a \$45 pledge fee and a \$110 initiation fee. Thereafter, there will be a \$20 per semester head tax fee and a \$52 per year liability insurance fee. Local dues include a \$20 per month chapter fee and a \$10 per month parlor fee.

Individuals who are interested in joining the fraternity or would like more information may call Portell at 624-9613.

Upcoming Events

Today	Sigma Nu Bake Sale 9 a.m. Lions' Den	Koinonia 11 a.m. Basement dormitory building B	Art League 12:15 p.m. Room A305 Spiva Art Center	Phi Eta Sigma Banquet 6 p.m. Connor Ballroom
Tomorrow	Deadline for Daytona trip reservations 5 p.m.	Baseball at University of Arkansas 1:30 p.m. Fayetteville	Black History Presentation 8 p.m. Connor Ballroom	Summit Brass Concert 8 p.m. Taylor Auditorium
Weekend	ACEI/IRA Storytelling 10 a.m. J.C. Penney court Northpark Mall	Baseball at Central State of Oklahoma 1 p.m. Saturday	Women's, Men's Basketball vs. Wayne State 5:30 & 7:30 p.m. Saturday Wayne, Nebraska	Wesley Foundation 8 p.m. Newman Road Methodist Church Sunday
Monday	ROTC Recruiting 9 a.m. Lions' Den	Sigma Nu 5:30 p.m. Room 311 BSC		CAB Movie 'Big' 7 & 9:30 p.m. Barn Theatre
Tuesday	Student Senate Legislative Banquet Jefferson City	Newman Club noon Room 314 BSC	Camera Club 3 p.m. Room 314 BSC	
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MID-TERM CLASSES

Course	Credit	Time	Days	Instructor
Prin. of Accounting I	3	1-2:15	M-Th	Huey
Hum. Rel. Skills for Employ.	2	5:30-7:30	MW	Disharoon
Business Stat. I	3	1-2:15	M-Th	Vernon
Practicum*	1	TBA	TBA	Massa
Adv. Practicum	2	TBA	TBA	Massa
American Econ. Sys.	3	1-2:15	M-Th	Bradshaw
Legal Aspects**	1	9-9:50	MWF	Kleindl
Human Relations	1	8-9:15	TTh	Kleindl
Mchndis/ Inv. Plan**	1	11-11:50	MWF	Kleindl
Survival Skills	2	10-10:50	MW	Hellams
Lab		1-3:50	Th	Hellams
Ind. Mil. Skills	2	9:30-10:20	TTh	Brown
Lab		1-3:50	Th	Brown
Music Appreciation	3	2-3	MF	Carmine
Theory of Coaching Soccer	1	1-1:50	MW	Bodon
Essential Skills in Physics	3	4-5:15	M-Th	Phillips
Gen. Psychology	3	2-3:15	M-Th	Volskay
Self Aware. & Career Dev.	1	9:30-10:45	TTh	Vermillion
Theatre Lab	1	1-3	TTh	Claussen
Theatre Lab	1	9-11	TTh	Bowman
Theatre Lab	1	2-4	TTh	Bowman
Basic Photography	3	6:30-9:15	MTh	Terry

* Permission of instructor required before enrolling

** Class meets April 3 through May 3

Registration for these courses will be held from 8:30-11:30 a.m. and 1-3 p.m. Friday, March 3, in the first-floor lobby of Heames Hall. Classes begin the week of March 6 and continue through the end of the semester. The last day to drop a mid-term class with a "W" is April 6. Finals for these classes will be given with regularly-scheduled finals May 5-10. Refunds for classes—during the week of March 6, 80% refunded; from March 13-31, 50% refunded.



Plantation Linda Wheeler's painting "Southern Plantation" is featured at Howson's Office Supply. Southern's beginning and advanced painting classes are showing their work through Feb. 28.

Theatre audition lands new major for Luther

Actor 'really loves' being in front of people

BY KATY HURN
ARTS EDITOR

Active in basketball and musical productions in high school, Rob Luther came to Missouri Southern intending to play basketball and major in communications.

However, after a short time, his plans changed.

"I came down here to play [basketball] and never even went out for the team," said Luther, a senior secondary education major (speech and drama) at Southern. Luther attended Iowa Lakes Community College for a year before he decided to pursue a four-year program here.

He became active in the theatre when he decided to audition in Southern's production of *Crimes of the Heart* and landed the role of Barnette Lloyd.

At the time, Luther was not too familiar with the theatre department and said this first audition was intimidating for him.

"He really made the cast an ensemble," Luther said. "He's the reason I'm still in theatre."

Recently cast as Richard in *The Lover*, a one-act play by Harold Pinter, Luther said this role is different from any other he has played.

"I do a lot of roles that are a lot like myself," he said. "This is a role that is totally opposite me."

"I was really worried about it up until the last couple of weeks of rehearsals. I know it's the biggest challenge I've had as an actor so far."

Luther has also participated in plays at the Joplin Little Theatre as well as Southern productions. Last year he portrayed Danny Zuko in *Grease*, and just recently finished playing Phil Whitaker, a cartoonist, in *Woman of the Year*. He also had the lead role of Matt in *Fantasticks*.

He said he had no idea what to expect from this production, which he described as a musical on *Romeo and Juliet*.

"It was a challenge," he said. "I'd never

"I guess I've always kind of had a love for musical theatre."

—Rob Luther, senior speech and drama major

'Red Storm Rising' views superpower war

Through much research and thought, Clancy 'thumbs up' another bestseller

Editor's Note: This is the second of a four-part, monthly series of reviews featuring the writings of Tom Clancy.

BY JIMMY L. SEXTON
CAMPUS EDITOR

Rating: ★★★
(out of ★★★★★)

As if for an encore performance to *The Hunt for Red October*, Tom Clancy has thumbed up another spine-tingling novel which makes other war-game books read like a Dr. Seuss children's book.

Red Storm Rising portrays a vivid picture of World War III. The world's superpowers battle on land, air, and sea for earthly control. Clancy depicts what the world would be like during wartime in a hauntingly real manner. Not only does he tell which military bases and strategic locations would be hit and in what order, he describes the battle plans and weapons used in such precise detail that he has been "called in" by the Pentagon for debriefing.

The Soviet Union is the catalyst of the third World War. Some Muslims sneak into Russia's most coveted oil refinery and set it ablaze, completely destroying the

factory and much of its assets. The factory produced the greatest percentage of oil for the Soviet Union and with much of its fuel supply gone and winter approaching, the Soviet high command decided to precipitate a war. With the loss of this refinery, the Soviet citizens would consume most of the country's fuel reserves within a "few short weeks" and would be left without heat, fuel for their automobiles, and just basically stripped of all of their daily comforts they are used to having.

The Russians were hoping that with other countries occupied with the war efforts, they would be distracted and would not realize the Soviet Union was stealing oil from them. The Kremlin determined that the costs and risks of another war would be far less than having to announce the loss of the refinery to the world and be embarrassed by their incompetence. Instead of asking for assistance from other European countries and the United States, the Soviets precipitated a war which they believed they could easily win. Better think again, comrades.

America knew that a "massive thermal energy" had occurred within the Soviet Union, but it did not know exactly what it was or where.

As in *Red October*, Clancy once again writes in illustrious detail the events happening. The only way to effectively depict a war-time situation is to tell the story in

the various battle zones. Clancy jumps from one place to another, and from person to person much like he did in his previous novel.

Because of the success of *Red October*, Clancy didn't have to do much to lure the reader. As a result, the reader is then swept by a whirlwind of intrigue, fright, and realism by what is happening. Clancy convinces the reader that what is happening is real, not fiction. By explaining the complexities of different weapons and tactical strategies, Clancy gives the reader a glimpse of a future world war.

Clancy's World War III began with the Soviets invading their neighboring countries and planning a quick kill. However, they experienced a much stronger resistance and the Soviets were soon perplexed about their current tactical situation.

In the meantime, the U.S. was getting involved by sending troops and weaponry to assist its allies. The Soviet invasion and capture of Iceland attained them air superiority, but not for long. The Americans had an ace in the hole and with much help they were able to retake Iceland and turn the tide of the war.

As quickly as the war began, it was ended. After the Americans finally learned the cause of the war, they began attacking the Soviet Union's weaknesses, their

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Brass ensemble to give concert

America's premier large brass ensemble, the Summit Brass, will give a concert at 8 p.m. tomorrow in the Taylor Performing Arts Center.

Tickets for reserved seating are available at the ticket office in Room 112 of the Billingsly Student Center. Cost is \$7.50 for general admission and \$4 for students and senior citizens. Tickets also will be available at the door for the same price. Consisting of some of the finest brass

players in the world, Summit Brass personnel hold principal positions in major symphony orchestras across the country. The idea for Summit Brass started three years ago as an effort to have "America's Own" brass ensemble.

The concert is co-sponsored by the Campus Activities Board and Pro-Musica, Inc., a non-profit organization whose purpose is to bring musical groups and ensembles to the area.

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City considers recycling program

Morrison says decision to recycle is related to landfill problems

BY JOHN FORD
CITY NEWS EDITOR

Recycling could become a reality in the Joplin area, due to a pilot program proposed by city officials. "Two years ago, Harold McCoy, director of public works, said we needed to determine what we're going to do about the landfill situation," said Clyde Morrison, a member of the solid waste advisory committee and the Joplin City Council. "I guess that was what started it all."

According to Morrison, initially the plan will involve approximately one-fourth of Joplin residents. It will be on a voluntary basis.

"We'll take one-fourth, or one quadrant, as an experimental program," he said. "We'll furnish the participants with one or two small containers, which may be color coded, to separate their trash in. The residents could put paper products in one and glass or plastic in another."

Additionally, Morrison said two trash pickups would be provided weekly, with the recycled material collected first and

the refuse collected later.

"The trash truck will have four separate compartments in it," said Morrison. "One will be for plastic, one for glass, one for cardboard, and another for metal products."

Morrison said the decision to recycle came about because of problems with Joplin's landfill. The landfill must be closed within two years, and the search is on for another site.

Currently, the facility offers a composting area, which allows vehicles carrying leaves and other compostable material to unload their materials into a pile, where the material ferments for a period of time until an earthy, mulch-type material is formed.

"Part of our waste reduction program is composting," Morrison said. "When we pick up leaves, tree limbs, and other material like that, we take it to our compost area in the landfill."

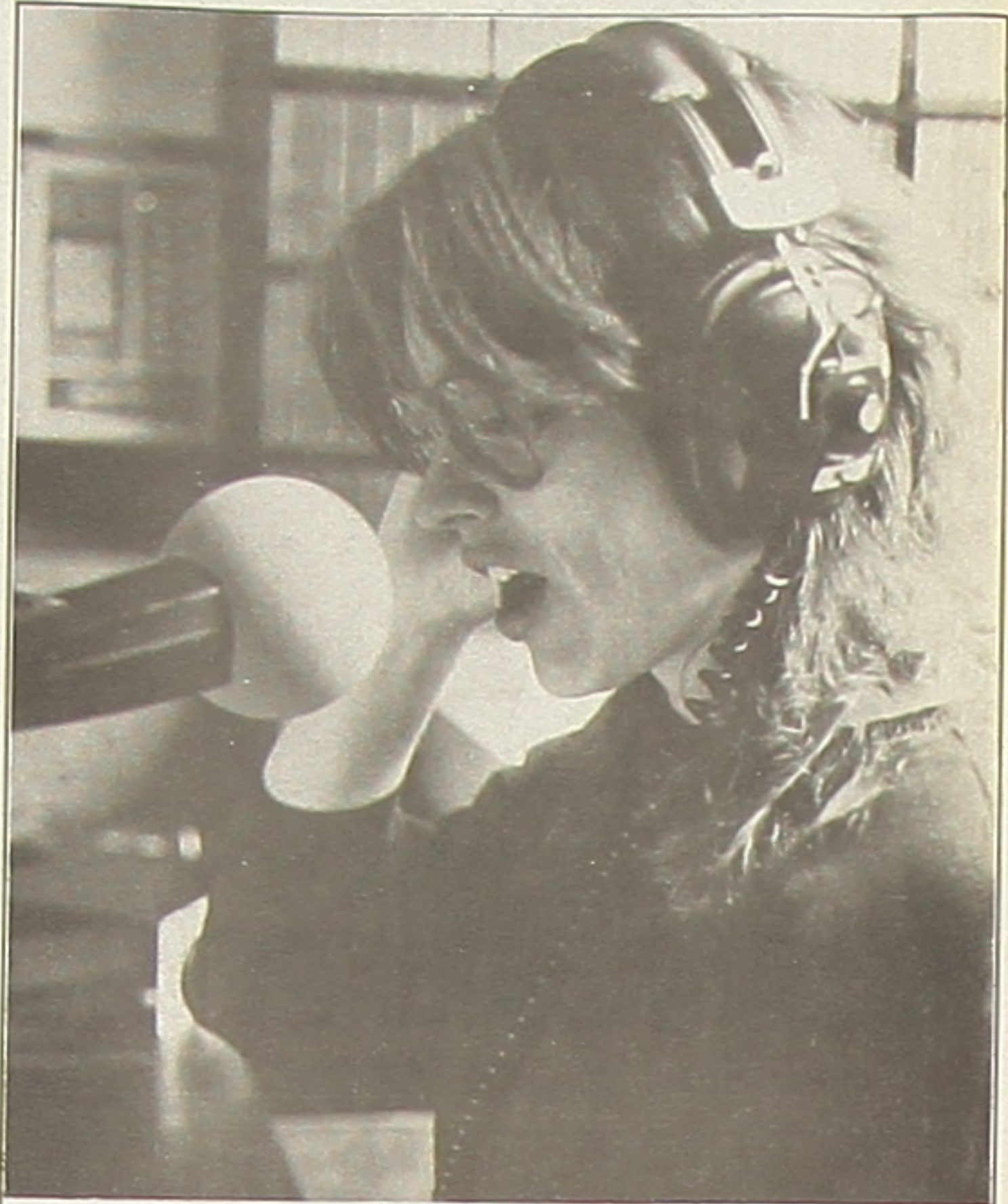
Morrison said the compost area of the landfill began last fall. This spring, residents will be able to help themselves to mulching material for flower beds and gardens.

The committee's current plan calls for the recycling of 20 percent of the rubbish which would normally end up in the landfill, as well as 3 to 5 percent of the garbage being composted.

"Our objective is to recycle, in some form or another, about 25 percent of our waste which is going into the landfill within a year's time," Morrison said. "The state proposal (Senate Bill 99) calls for the same thing, but within a five-year time period."

Morrison said the reason the state program would take longer to initiate was that some of the state's residents, such as farmers, do not use a landfill for their compostable materials. Instead they pile compostable material into a ditch or ravine, where it ferments into mulching material.

"The state is behind us in the respect of getting started on recycling," said Morrison. "We started our program over a year ago. The state program is an attempt to do statewide what we have been doing in southwest Missouri. It closely follows what we've been doing for the past year."



STAFF PHOTO BY NICK COBLE

New audience Marri Michaels, a disc jockey at Z-FM, will be reaching an older, more "sophisticated" audience.

Diner tries to bring back nostalgia

Owners want to provide family-style, 24-hour operation on city's west side

BY ANITA NORTON
STAFF WRITER

Local restaurant patrons now have another 24-hour restaurant, the Top Hat Diner, to choose from for dining out.

The restaurant at 1818 W. Seventh Street was formerly known as Dinah's Diner before its former owners closed the doors in late November. The restaurant has re-opened as the Top Hat Diner under new ownership and management.

Gary Haun, the new manager, formerly employed at Dinah's and the Gazebo, entered into a silent partner agreement with a local businessman. He said they decided to re-name the restaurant after a club that had operated at that same location years ago.

"We decided to pull out some of the nostalgia to get some of the people back who used to patron the club in earlier days," said Haun.

Haun had been a chef for more than five years at the restaurant next door, the Gazebo, which had the same owners as Dinah's and closed at the same time. He said when Dinah's first opened years ago, he was asked to open the restaurant. Now, he has opened the restaurant twice, but under different names and ownership.

He said they kept many similar menu items as before. However, he said other changes in the restaurant include a cleaner and more friendly, family oriented atmosphere. He said, "The quality of the food is more consistently better and there is more effective management now."

While some of the former customers have returned to the Top Hat, Haun said, "We're building a more family based restaurant, and we're tapping into the senior citizen business."

The diner regularly offers senior

citizens free beverages with their meals between 4-9 p.m.

Haun said the diner tries to cater to the needs of its customers by offering breakfast or dinner items during any time of the day or night.

"That's the concept of the 24-hour operation," he said. "We try to accommodate odd-ball schedules. Anyone can come into the restaurant at any given time, when it's convenient for them to eat, and get served anything on the menu."



Gary Haun

The one exception he noted was that baked potatoes were available only between 4-9 p.m.

Although the diner does not offer a smorgasbord, Haun said, "After five plus years of operating the smorgasbord at the Gazebo, you become aware of what the people want to eat. So that is what we try to give."

"We try to think of it as good old-fashioned homestyle cooking with service," he added. "We would like to be considered the new home of your old Gazebo favorites."

Not only did Haun learn what people liked best to eat, but he said he also learned who the best employees were at the Gazebo and Dinah's during his years of experience there.

"I took the cream of the crop from both places," he said.

Prior to coming to Joplin eight years ago, Haun was an area general manager for six years at Little Caesar's Pizza in Ohio. He said six years of pizza was enough for him. He did not believe Joplin needed another pizza place, but rather that the west side needed a "down-home diner with quality food and a 24-hour operation."

"It's taken a couple of months to get the bugs worked out," said Haun. "But I've attempted to create an atmosphere of grandma's kitchen. It's a friendly meeting place for people to go and eat."

The atmosphere of the diner is casual with booth seating for approximately 90 people. A small counter with stools is available for those not wanting to eat at a booth. According to Haun, future plans for the restaurant might include remodeling the facilities upstairs into banquet rooms.

stances. A small watch battery can contaminate six tons of garbage."

Steinwachs said the most commonly discarded hazardous chemical is household paint. Instead of discarding leftover paint into the garbage, she said residents should find someone else who could use it.

rently on the market today. She discussed several common substances homeowners throw away, including small watch batteries and used motor oil.

"One gallon of used motor oil can contaminate one million gallons of water," she said. "Motor oil contains a number of heavy metals and cancer-causing sub-

Joplin station changes name

Z-103 decides to shift from contemporary hit radio

BY JOHN FORD
CITY NEWS EDITOR

In an attempt to appeal to an older-age audience, Z-103, a Joplin radio station, has undergone a name change and a programming switch.

The move was, in part, due to a survey conducted by the radio station's parent company, Montgomery Media, which said the station should appeal to an older group. According to Bo Jagger, program director for the station, Z-FM shifted from contemporary hit radio (CHR), which appealed to the 12- to 17-year-old market, to an album-oriented rock (AOR) format to appeal to a more "sophisticated" audience.

"We didn't 'just' do this," Jagger said. "We didn't decide to change on a 'gut feeling.' Our parent company did research and saw some shortcomings in our programming. We decided it was time to make a shift. We thought we were too closely aligned to our competitor in this market."

Another reason for the changeover was the concerns of the station's advertisers. The advertisers thought the station was not appealing to the share of the market which had the most discretionary income to spend. According to Jagger, that market is the 29- to 49-year-old listener.

"We could say that we're number one with the teenage market, but our advertisers didn't care about that," said Jagger. "We want to appeal to the 29- to 49-year-old who's buying cars, houses, yachts, and that sort of thing."

"We'll not only be playing music which appeals to an older audience, but our promos will also be targeted to them, too. There is a wide gap between CHR and what the other stations in this market are doing. Our format, AOR, is basically in between."

In addition to the older crowd, he said some of the teenagers would keep listening to the station because they liked the album-oriented format.

"There are some kids who want to hear Def Leppard instead of Kool and the Gang," he said. "We'll still have some of the teens, but not in as large of numbers."

The station, established in 1981, broadcasts with a total radiated power of 100,000 watts.

"We are fortunate enough to have a translator in Springfield on the SMSU (Southwest Missouri State University) campus, which broadcasts at 85 watts," said Jagger. "Once in a while you'll hear us identify that station. We are getting a good response from Springfield listeners."

Z-FM boasts of being "all compact disc radio." According to Jagger, the station is all compact disc because of improved sound clarity over conventional media, such as cassette tapes and LPs, and new technology like digital audio tape (DAT) machines.

"The problem with DATs is that they are sequential; you have to go through all of the cuts just to find the one you want," Jagger said. "All tape systems have this problem. Also, the recording industry is definitely opposed to having DAT machines on the market because they are afraid people will record music on DAT and stop buying records."

"Eventually, you'll see this technology go the way of the Quadraphonic sound system or the four-track cartridge."

Plans for the station include more promotions, concerts, and events to appeal to Z-FM's target audience. Additionally, Jagger said the station will constantly strive to determine what listeners want to hear.

"We want to be a full-service radio station to those people who tune us in," said Jagger.

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always been a part of the farmer's routine operation," he said. "A good farmer practices both recycling and composting, and we should, too."

Also speaking before the group was Marie Steinwachs, who discussed waste toxicity. According to Steinwachs, more than 27,000 hazardous chemicals are cur-



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Colleges could gain special license plates

Revenues would be used for scholarship funds

BY ANITA NORTON
STAFF WRITER

College students and alumni may have the opportunity to display a new type of personalized license plate on their vehicles.

A bill was introduced into the Missouri legislature to allow any four-year, state-supported college or university to authorize the use of its official emblem to be affixed on personalized license plates. Introduced by Sen. Roger Wilson (D-Columbia), the proposed bill would provide additional revenue to scholarship endowments or other academically related purposes.

According to Wilson, "the license plate battle has raged" in several other states. Florida and South Carolina already have similar license plate measures.

"I decided if it's good enough for Florida, then it's good enough for Missouri," Wilson said.

Sen. Mike Lybier (D-Huggins), a co-sponsor of the bill, said he believes the bill is a "good idea to help the schools and state revenues."

"It (the popularity of the new license plate) has been better than what they expected in Florida," Lybier said.

According to Wilson, the bill originated out of a long-time battle concerning the production of reflectorized license plates. The state received a bid from Flex-O-Lite of St. Louis to produce reflectorized license plates which remain visible at a distance of up to 1,000 feet. This same process would be used in making personalized school emblems on the license plates.

Wilson said each college or university could design its own emblem using the school's colors, mascot, or logo, making the new personalized plates distinctive

and creative.

"They could be very different," he said. "I saw South Carolina's and Florida's and they have different color schemes from the regular plates."

Although passage of the bill would result in various designs and color schemes on license plates throughout the state, Wilson said law enforcement officials like the idea because of the reflectorized plate.

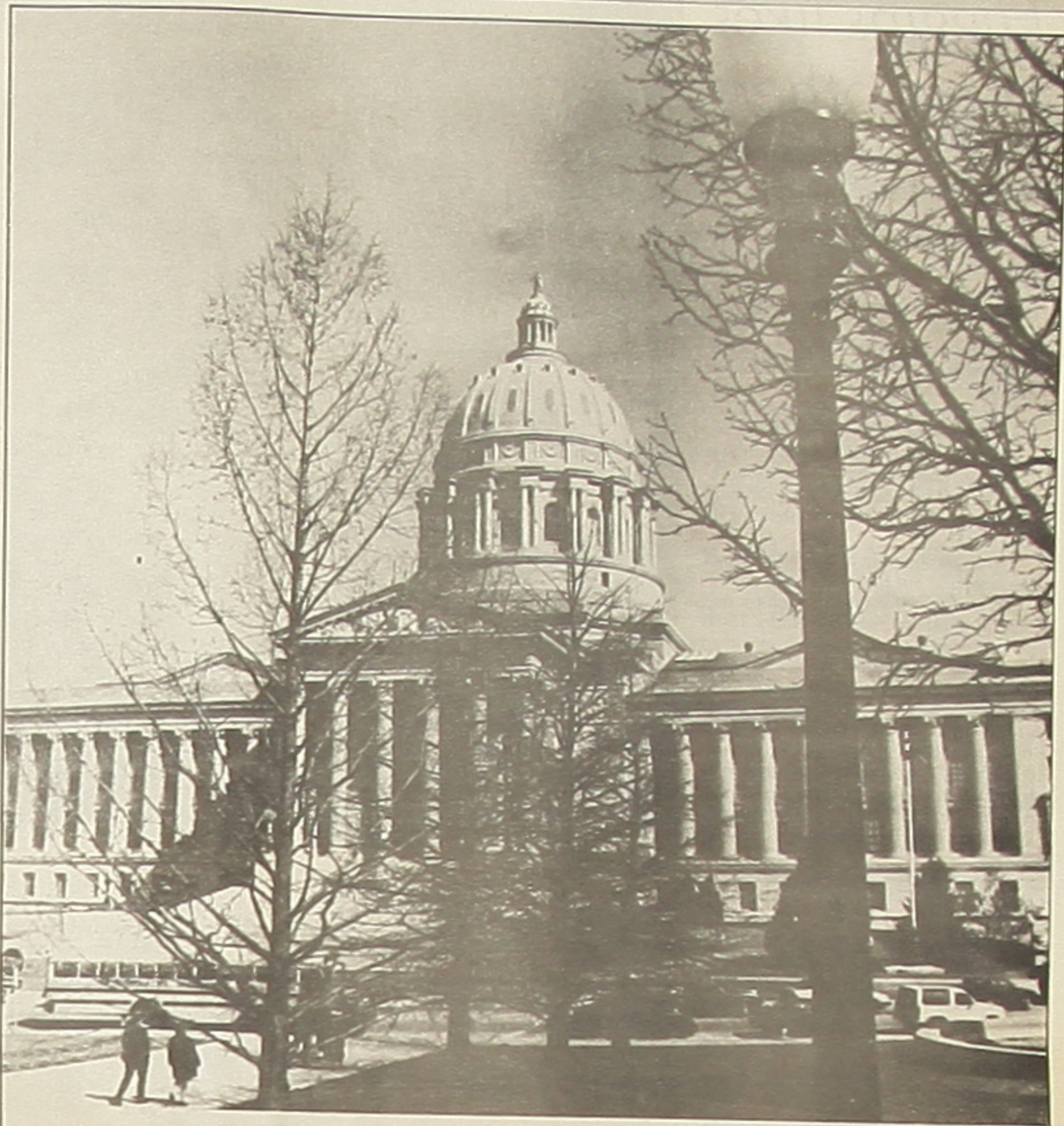
"We have not received opposition from law enforcement because it will actually help them read the plates easier," said Wilson.

Support for the new personalized plate has come from several of the state colleges and universities, including the University of Missouri, Southwest Missouri State, and Central Missouri State. Wilson said some private colleges also have shown interest in the bill although the provisions of the current proposal exclude privately supported institutions.

The bill would allow any vehicle owner to apply annually to the individual college or university for use of the school's emblem. Upon application and payment of a \$25 emblem-use charge, the institution would issue an "emblem use authorization statement" which would then be presented by the vehicle owner to the Department of Revenue at the time of the vehicle's normal registration. All revenue derived from the emblem use charge, except for reasonable administrative costs, would be used for scholarship funds or other academically related purposes.

Because the reflectorized personalized plate is a popular idea and has worked in other states, both Wilson and Lybier expect the bill to pass.

"I think the students will pick up on it and want a license that shows where they go to school," added Lybier. "And some alumni will be able to pick up on it, too."



Busy place The State Capitol was busy this week as many bills were discussed in committee meetings.

STAFF PHOTO BY SEAN VANSLYKE

Lt. governor will head war on drugs

Carnahan believes drug prevention, treatment groups have large impact

BY JIMMY L. SEXTON
CAMPUS EDITOR

In an effort to coordinate Missouri's efforts to fight the war against drugs, Senate leaders have asked Lt. Gov. Mel Carnahan to oversee how each state agency is working to combat the problem.

"Basically, I've been asked to study the state's efforts on the drug war," said Carnahan. "It is a very worthwhile, effective study and I enjoy doing it."

Carnahan and his staff will be talking to various agencies within the state to find out how effective their drug prevention methods are. They will inform agencies as to what other agencies are doing so they can benefit from one another.

According to Carnahan, the alcohol and drug abuse division of the Department of Mental Health, the Division of Public Safety, the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education, and the Department of Health are a few of the many statewide agencies being con-

tacted.

"They will be briefing us on their efforts and particularly the efforts they generate into the local communities," Carnahan said. "The communities are often spearheaded by volunteers who are a great help to the local law enforcement officials."

Carnahan said he must first learn what needs to be done in order to deal with the drug addicts before any logical solution can be made. He also said there is "plenty of extremely good law enforcement going on" and there is a "field of interdiction between policing the drug addicts and treating them."

"We're getting to know the full number of treatment and rehabilitation facilities that are available and what education and prevention activities are going on."

Carnahan believes the drug prevention and treatment groups who cooperate with the patrol officers sometimes have a larger impact than many government officials.

"They (the prevention groups) are working out of determination, zeal, and positive efforts," he said. "Professionals like to have volunteers, students, and parents who work well together."

According to Carnahan, his office has a "unique" opportunity to relate to the people of Missouri and their problems.

"The drug effort is a disease in the

community, and this activity must be stopped," Carnahan said.

"My perception on the drug war is that there have been many stories of success, and slowly, one by one, we will see many more of these stories around the state. On the comforting side is the fact that people recognize their need for treatment and some of them don't have it. The education and prevention of drugs are the greatest success stories."

As the only Democrat to win statewide office in November, Carnahan is trying to expand the duties of the lieutenant governor. Traditionally, the office included filling in for the governor in his absence and presiding over the state senate. Many senators believe the lieutenant governor's job is meaningless and should be erased and replaced by a 35th senator.

Carnahan said his office has two areas of emphasis: improving Missouri's highway and transportation system and the "dire need of improvement to increase commerce and trade in the state."

"At present, the status of Missouri's war on drugs isn't really known," he said. "However, my office is currently investigating what everybody is doing, and I'm confident we'll find some successful ways to deal with the problem at hand."

Bill would curb scalping

Panethiere says bill has received 'good reception'

BY ROBERT J. SMITH
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

In an effort to eliminate and control ticket scalping in Missouri, Sen. Henry Panethiere (D-Kansas City) has proposed a bill before the General Assembly that would fine scalpers as much as \$250.

"It (the bill) creates a crime of ticket scalping," Panethiere said, "as the crime is defined as the sale or attempted sale of any ticket for admission to any sporting, theatrical, or other entertainment event for a price exceeding the purchase price."

The bill would make each illegal ticket transaction a separate crime. A scalper who sells two tickets at an exorbitant rate would receive double the \$250 penalty.

Panethiere's proposed bill stems from ticket scalping that occurred in Kansas City during the NCAA Final Four basketball tournament in April. He also pointed to scalping during the 1985 "all-Missouri" World Series as a previous concern.

"We want to keep someone from coming in and buying up a block of tickets way in advance of an event," Panethiere said. "They could then hold out and create a situation and raise the prices considerably. It's not the way the marketplace should operate."

Panethiere said his bill is directed strictly to the scalper for profit. He is not concerned with people who cannot attend an

event and unload a ticket at face value or below cost.

The bill also leaves room for ticket brokers like Dial-A-Tic, Ticketmaster, Ticketron, and travel agencies.

"We have put in the bill a negotiated price between the seller and what you call ticket brokers," Panethiere said. "We have some ticket brokers like travel agencies that buy blocks of tickets. They are permitted to charge some for their brokerage."

Negative publicity is one of the main reasons for the ticket scalping bill.

"It's not a real major problem, but it's enough of a problem that we want to curtail it," Panethiere said.

"We received a lot of unfavorable publicity. There were a lot of newspaper stories in the [Kansas City] Star and Times about individuals and even assistant coaches selling tickets. That cast a shadow on the distribution system of these tickets."

Panethiere said the initial response to his bill has been a positive one.

"It received good reception," he said. "Some of the major cities like Kansas City and St. Louis have city ordinances against ticket scalping, but they have no teeth in them. It's just a minimal fine."

Panethiere said this is the first year this type of bill has been considered by the General Assembly.



Mel Carnahan

Shear says bill would protect needs of women

BY ANITA NORTON
STAFF WRITER

Among the new bills that Missouri legislators will consider this session is one providing unpaid maternity leave to the mother or father of a newborn child.

The bill, subtitled "Unpaid Maternity Leave," was introduced by Rep. Sue Shear (D-Clayton). She calls it a "strong family protection bill," primarily aimed at protecting the needs of the women who comprise 52 percent of the work force.

According to Shear, women have had to "lose the family and keep their jobs, or lose their jobs and keep the family." She said the bill allows the mother, or father if necessary, to keep both by providing the parent up to 12 weeks unpaid maternity leave to bond with the newborn child, while protecting the parent's ability to provide for the family after maternity leave has ended.

Shear said she decided to draw up the bill after learning of a recent Supreme Court decision declaring that states could regulate maternity leave through legislation. She said a similar bill, with broader provisions, was introduced earlier in Congress. That bill not only provides for unpaid maternity leave, but leave for other family and medical situations as well. She said other states are considering their own legislation to protect a mother's or father's employment during the period immediately following childbirth.

Some of the exclusions in the bill include:

- an exemption to any employer with less than 25 workers.
- a part-time employee must have worked at least 90 days prior to taking leave.
- both parents cannot take unpaid maternity leave at the same time.
- the employee must give 30 days notice prior to taking leave and before

returning to work.

■ the employer is not required to give the employee the exact same job he or she had prior to taking maternity leave.

Shear said the bill does not impose any specific penalties, but it does allow for civil cause of action against any employer who disregards the provisions.

"There has been some opposition to the bill by Associated Industries, who are fearful of a 'foot in the door' because they think we might ask for paid leave next," she said. "However, that is not the purpose of the bill. It is simply a family preservation act."

According to Shear, some of the opposition has been sparked by the possible additional costs to industry the bill could create. However, she points out that industry already incurs those same costs by replacing employees who quit due to the birth of a child.

"Women's organizations are all in favor [of the bill]," she said.

Browning joins fifth committee

BY MARK R. MULIK
EXECUTIVE EDITOR

Although State Rep. Galen Browning (R-Neosho) was "pretty well satisfied" with serving on four House committees, he "eventually" agreed to join the powerful House budget committee.

"I didn't ask for the job," said Browning, a representative since 1980. "I (now) have five committees. I don't think that's the norm."

"In all the 20 counties that the Seventh District is made up of, there was one representative on the committee," said Browning, who was appointed to the committee in January. "It is an urban- versus rural-type situation with regards to funding."

Browning replaced Rep. Edward Ottinger (R-St. Louis), who asked to be taken off the committee.

Browning said Ottinger came to him and said he had submitted Browning's name as a possible replacement mem-

ber for the committee.

Before Browning was appointed to the budget committee, the only southwest Missouri representative on the committee was Rep. Joe McCracken (D-Springfield).

"With only one voice on the committee, he was fighting a near futile battle," said Browning. "There traditionally has been two on that committee from southwest Missouri, but there hasn't been for the past two years."

Browning currently serves on four other House committees: commerce, retiring, state parks and natural resources, and appropriations.

"Having heard them (the bills in the House) and having marked these bills up, it's a distinct advantage to be on both committees (budget and appropriations)," Browning said.

"Where the importance of it (serving on both committees) comes in is with the discretionary money—the loose money. That's the funds that's up for grab."

Higgins likes to aid others

Financial aid assistant loves traveling, outdoors

BY DAN ANDERSON
CHART REPORTER

A new career at Missouri Southern in the fall of 1987 via Labette Community College was a new beginning for Tammy Higgins, financial aid administrative assistant.

Organization and communication are top priorities for Higgins. "Before coming to Missouri Southern I trained under a woman at Labette who was super-organized, as well as a perfectionist," she said. "I suppose a little of that rubbed off on me."

Her main objective is keeping on top of the financial aid business of the day.

"With the major growth we have had here at Southern, which includes 75-80 percent of all students receiving some type of assistance, to fall behind would make for a good horror movie," Higgins said.

"Fortunately, I work with a bunch of great people who help keep the ball rolling at the office. I really feel we work as a team, and I'm especially appreciative of the work-study students. They work just as hard for a lot less than they deserve. Personally, I feel they're awfully loyal considering."

When the stress and strain do get the best of her day, Higgins finds a way to relax.

"When we all have had it up to here," she said, (placing her hand at the top of her head) "all of us girls will go out to happy hour, relax, and discuss our gripes, which helps a bunch. Other times, I'll just go home, get a glass of iced tea, and sit



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Program head

The duties Major James Dunn, head of the military science program at Southern, must face include overseeing instructors, managing the ROTC budget, recruiting new cadets, and commissioning cadets to be Army officers.

College impresses Dunn

Major's main duty is to commission Army officers

BY NICK COBLE
DIRECTOR OF PHOTOGRAPHY

By sharing his experiences and commissioning future officers of the U.S. Army, Major James Dunn hopes to give students a "step up on life."

"What I enjoy most is my relationship with the students and being involved in their lives to a certain degree, and to be able to share my experience," said Dunn, senior assistant professor of military science at Missouri Southern.

Overseeing instructors, managing the program's budget, and recruiting new cadets are some of the duties Dunn must face as head of the military science program. His main duty, however, is to commission future officers of the U.S. Army.

Before arriving at Southern in August, Dunn had been stationed at eight different locations during his 13 years in the Army.

The 1988 summer Olympics in Seoul, Korea, brought back fond memories for Dunn and his family, who had been stationed there for two years.

"I really enjoyed seeing the Olympics on TV, because I had flown around there," he said. "I flew over the Olympic parking lot, and I saw all of the building that was going on in preparation for the Olympics. My family was with me, and it brought back a lot of memories for all of us."

After receiving a bachelor's degree in secondary physical education from Eastern Kentucky University in 1975, Dunn went on active duty in the Army. While in Korea, he received his master's degree through an extension program.

For Dunn, physical education is much more than just playing sports.

"I think that physical education is an important part of everybody's life because your ability to think relates to the condition your body is in."

Dunn enjoys playing all types of sports and officiates area football and basketball games for the Missouri State High School Athletic Association.

Since coming to Southern, Dunn has been most impressed with the College's core curriculum. "The core curriculum that they have here at the school requiring communication skills, the computer literacy, the math reasoning skills, all of those things are what the military requires," said Dunn.

"There are certain military qualification skills a student has to have to get commissioned. Most of those are required by the school in order to get your degree."

With his career goal being to one day become a battalion commander, Dunn's short-term goals are to increase enrollment in Southern's military science program and to halt its reliance on Southwest Missouri State University's military science department.

"I feel that Southern has the potential to be a host institution, to have its own battalion, its own battalion commander, where students can come and attend Southern with a four-year scholarship. Right now a student with a four-year scholarship cannot come to Southern."

"My goal is to lay the groundwork for this to become a host institution. As the school grows, I feel that the ROTC should grow as well," he said.

Black will help with research

BY MARY HANEWINKEL
CHART REPORTER

When students are assigned a research paper, one of the first places they may head is the second floor of the Spiva Library.

What the students hope to find is all the material they will need to complete their paper, or at least someone willing to help them in their search. Robert Black, reference librarian, is the man to ask.

"The students should feel comfortable about getting assistance in finding material to benefit their education," he said.

Although it is not in his job description, Black says he is there to help people save a "precious commodity" called time.

Black said the library becomes drudgery for people because they wait until the last possible moment to conduct their research.

"Older students seem to be a bit more serious about it," he said, "perhaps because they have jobs and families."

One way the reference librarian helps to fulfill the students' needs is through what Black calls a reference interview. By asking students a series of questions, he can guide them to exactly the research materials they will need.

"We go about looking for material in a systematic method," he said, "and that is what gives us the edge."

Sometimes the student is embarrassed to talk about the subject matter he or she is interested in finding, and other times the student just does not know where to begin.

"Those who do make the effort, who do need assistance, said Black, "we're there to help them."

Black likened the library's relationship to the College to the memory portion of the brain. He said although that portion does not make any decisions that control

the body, it does store the information which helps the parts that do.

"Librarians as a whole are constant learners," said Black, an avid reader.

He says most librarians put a lot of time and effort into their work, but that is just like anyone else who wants to do well.

He said someday he would like to be a library director, but for now he will just keep working to make the library an attractive and less intimidating place for the student to do research.

"The library is like a tool," he said, "and like any tool you have to learn how to use it properly."

He also has many other duties to perform. They include class presentations that are requested by faculty and the initial library orientation for the new student orientation leaders.

Black also assists with collection development for the reference collection and performs on-line data base searches. He is also in charge of the government documents collection on the second floor of the library.

Black saw the reference librarian vacancy at Southern listed in the *Chronicle of Higher Education*. He thought it looked interesting, and after some checking he found that Southern was a smaller college.

He said he liked that aspect because it makes it easier to start getting to know the students and faculty and helps to build better working relationships.

"The library is an interesting place when you think of all the information that it holds," said Black, who began working for Southern in July 1988.

Black lives in Joplin with his wife, Trish, and his dog, Lady. He likes to fish and says he is looking forward to discovering the prime fishing holes around the Joplin area.



STAFF PHOTO BY CARINE PETERSON

Before coming to Missouri Southern, Tammy Higgins, financial aid administrative assistant, was trained under a woman at Labette Community College who was "super-organized" and a "perfectionist."

in the Jacuzzi until I'm shriveled up like a prune."

One of her pet peeves is the inability of some students to correctly fill out all of the necessary financial aid information.

"Especially when they come back and tell us it's our fault," she said. "I mean, come on, we all have to start assuming responsibility sometime in our lives. College is a great place to begin."

But nothing pleases Higgins more than helping students get the financial assistance they need to begin or continue their education.

She considers herself fortunate in her personal life.

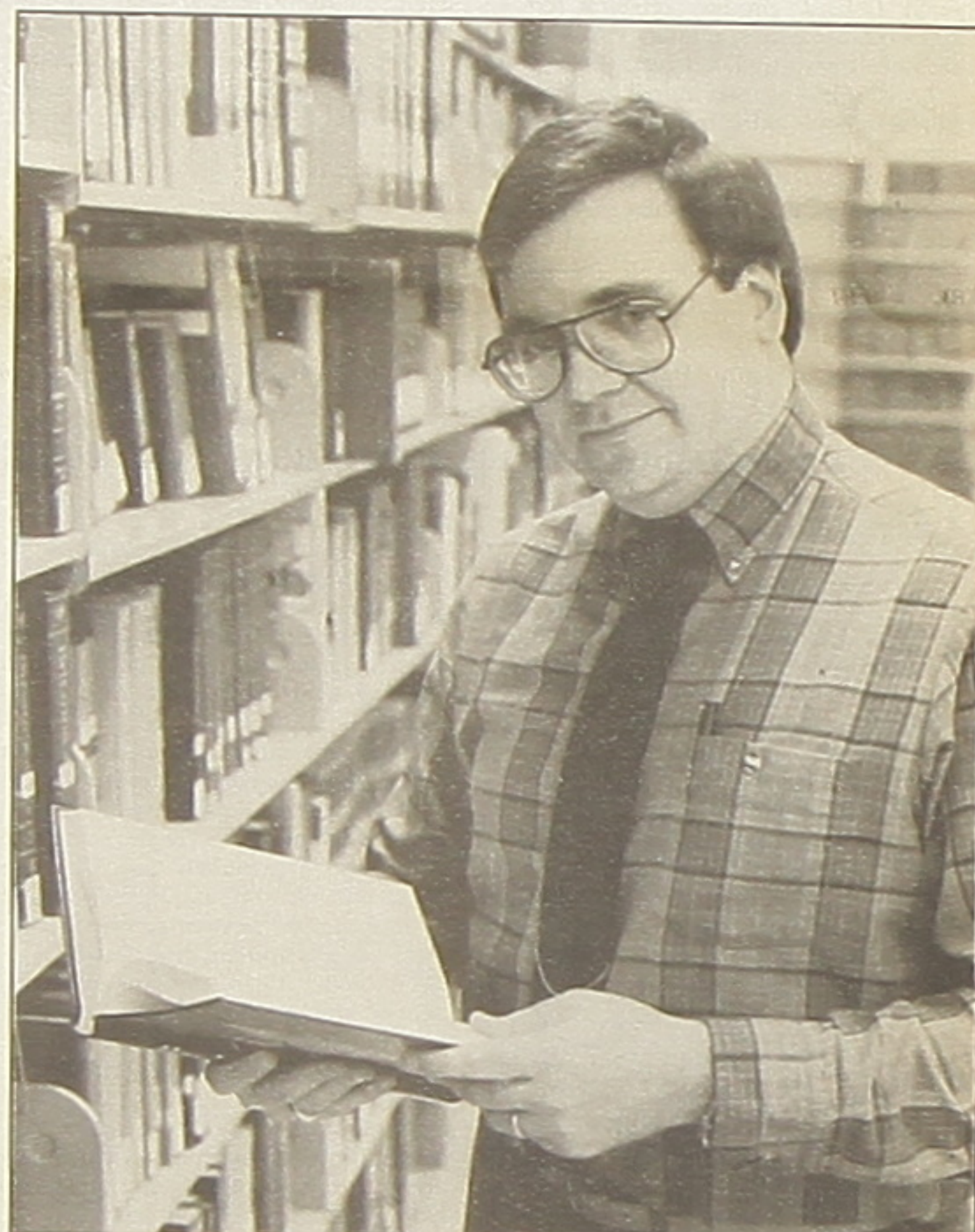
"I've got strong family ties, no divorces, and a great husband, George, who is very goal oriented and always looks for and seems to find the best in me," she said.

During her spare time, hobbies she enjoys most include traveling (soon to Florida), cross-stitching, reading, and a love for the outdoors—especially swimming. Higgins also is an "antique nut" and loves to learn about the histories behind them.

"What I really find interesting about antiques is the way they're made, the beautiful wood grains, dowels instead of nails; everything was made with so much care and precision. To go back and piece how the people lived back during that time is simply fascinating."

Higgins loves her job and the many friends she has made along the way. Her personal philosophies are "to live every day as if it were the last, and to be more compassionate and concerned for others."

As for goals, she said, "I'd love to have the opportunity to be at home with my future children, and be in at least a size seven bikini before the trip to Florida. Ha."



STAFF PHOTO BY MARK ANCELL

Research helper

Robert Black, a reference librarian who came to the College in July 1988, says students should feel comfortable getting assistance in finding research materials.

A Sports Memorabilia Auction is coming to Joplin, May 13th. Retired baseball star Brooks Robinson heads a list of stars who will be in attendance. Keep your eye on *The Chart* for more details.

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Clancy provides his readers with a phenomenally well thought-out novel, but the ending could use a little more work. Two commanders met and reached an agreement. That was it. End of book. Instead, Clancy should have brought the after-war efforts into the picture and dealt with the after effects of the war. This would have provided a different view of war than just men killing men.

Though Clancy's name is listed as the author of the book, Larry Bond deserves much of the credit. Clancy and Bond met and began discussing building a book around Bond's war game "Convoy-84." After much research and many visits to various military facilities, the finished product became a *New York Times* best-seller.

Clancy is staking his claim as the master of war-time fiction. Suspenseful, nerve-racking, and tense, *Red Storm Rising* gives the reader a realistic idea of what might happen. All that's left to do now is for Clancy to write a book describing life after the war. Next month, I will feature *Patriot Games* in my review.

New coach makes a difference for Walton

Junior forward returns after two-year absence

BY ANASTASIA UMLAND
ASSISTANT EDITOR

After sitting out last season, junior forward Susie Walton is glad to be playing basketball for the Missouri Southern Lady Lions this year.

"I decided I could not agree with [former head Coach Jim] Phillips' style of coaching and played for the tennis team instead," Walton said.

Phillips recruited Walton from Glendale High School in Springfield in 1985. But she says everything changed once she reached Southern.

"I tried out for the team and Phillips called and offered me a scholarship to cover my tuition," Walton said. "But after I go into practices, I realized things would not be as he promised."

Walton saw only 53 minutes of action during her freshman season at Southern. She was ineligible to play her sophomore year because of a problem with grades. She transferred to Fort Scott (Kan.) Junior College in order to play basketball.

"I was glad for the opportunity because I got a lot of good experience," she said.

Before the 1987-88 season, Walton said Phillips promised her a scholarship if she would return to Southern.

"I agreed, but when I got here he would not give me the scholarship," she said.

Walton then decided to stay at Southern and join the newly developed women's tennis team.

This year brought a change in the women's basketball program, a change that Walton had been waiting for.

"When I heard Coach [Janet] Gabriel had been hired to be the new head coach, I called her and told her I wanted to play for her," Walton said.

"Susie was a pleasant surprise," said Gabriel. "The week after I got here, Susie called and asked to play basketball for me."

Walton said she likes the coaching techniques of Gabriel. She said Gabriel knows how to criticize constructively and build the team members' confidence.

"She is cool, and her attitude is awesome," Walton said. "She is one person who says what is on her mind."

Walton said she has noticed a great difference in the team as a whole under the direction of Gabriel.

"Gabriel's philosophy is really different; it is very positive," she said. "She has confidence in everybody and plays the whole bench."

"Susie came out with a wonderful attitude," said Gabriel. "She is really considerate and dedicated to the team."

Because of Gabriel's positive attitude, Walton thinks the team members all work hard to deliver what Gabriel expects. Walton calls her a "great motivator."

Gabriel said she is glad she gave Walton the chance to prove herself as a valuable member of the team.

"She is everything you could want in a player," said Gabriel. "She is one of the best players in the district and a walk-on."

Walton has scored 327 points (13.1 average) this season and leads the team in field-goal percentage (.560).



STAFF PHOTO BY NICK COBLE

Returns to squad

Southern forward Susie Walton (20) has started 25 games for the Lady Lions after sitting out last year.

Lady Lions face key test

Southern, Western fight for second in district

BY ROBERT J. SMITH
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

It has come down to a showdown between two of the top teams in NAIA District 16. While Rockhurst has virtually locked up the top spot for the district playoffs, tomorrow's game between Missouri Southern and Missouri Western could decide the No. 2 position.

"We've got to go on the road this weekend concentrating on beating Western," said Janet Gabriel, Southern head coach. "We have to stay close no matter what."

Currently, Western and School of the Ozarks are in a second-place tie in the district with 49.2 power ratings. Southern is a close fourth with a 48.9 rating.

School of the Ozarks faces a 3-16 Harris-Stowe team tonight.

The district playoffs open Tuesday at the sites of the four highest-ranked teams. The first-round winners play Thursday.

The Lady Lions' 98-60 victory over John Brown University two days ago can only improve their chances to move up in the rankings. But what complicates matters for Southern is a 3-7 road record.

"Friday is the biggest game of the year for us," Gabriel said.

Western has not been at the top of its game. Going into last night's game against Peru State, the Lady Griffons had won just two of their last six games.

"We're just going to have to play well to beat them," Gabriel said. "If we lose, we've got to lose trying hard. If we win, then our season gets even better."

Missouri Western has been sparked by a pair of juniors. Forward Linda Frencher and center Lisa Hughes lead the Lady Griffons with 20.5 and 15.5 scoring averages, respectively.

"Frencher had a pretty good game against us down here," Gabriel said. "On the other hand, [Southern center Caryn] Schumaker was able to do pretty well against Hughes."

The Lady Lions can't forget about Saturday's game against Wayne State. Southern was able to beat the Lady Wildcats 75-64 in a meeting earlier this month. Wayne State is led by senior Linda Schnitzler, who is just 10 points away from becoming the all-time leading women's collegiate scorer in Nebraska history. She averages 25.3 points and 5.9 rebounds.

"Schnitzler is good for at least 20 and sometimes 30 points," Gabriel said. "But [Southern guard Cheryl] Williams was effective against her before. Cheryl is capable of shutting anyone off."

Gabriel said the continued strong play of freshman guard Diana Hoch has given Southern an added boost. Hoch handed out a school-record 18 assists Tuesday.

"I have a point guard who gets the ball to the hot player," Gabriel said. "She's getting the ball to them when they are hot and in the right place."



STAFF PHOTO BY JOANN HOLLIS

Block attempt

Kearney State's Al Maxey (25) looks for an opening as Southern's Lloyd Phelps tries to block his shot.

Lions seek to end skid

Two tough opponents and long bus rides await a weary Missouri Southern basketball squad this weekend.

Along with the challenges of Missouri Western tomorrow and Wayne State Saturday, the Lions also must shake off the news of Chuck Williams' resignation.

"This is a remarkable group of players," said Williams, head coach. "They continue to play hard despite disappointing losses and difficult circumstances."

Southern, 3-21 overall and 0-12 in CSIC play, looks to snap a 15-game losing streak and end the season on an upbeat note.

Williams plans to start 6-foot-10 junior center Lloyd Phelps, 6-5 sophomore forward David Lurvey, 6-5 junior forward Sam Wilcher, 6-2 junior guard Brad Jackson, and 6-0 freshman guard Tom Olsen.

"Western (14-14) is a very good ball club," said Williams. "We match up well in size and quickness with them."

Wayne State currently has a 16-10 overall mark.

"We will be looking to improve our standings in our district rankings, so these last two games are very important," said Steve Aggers, Wayne State head coach.

Williams credits his team for continued improvements and for not giving up during a difficult season.

"We have played hard all season," he said. "This is a remarkable team to continue to play hard despite all the circumstances."

The Lions lost to Pittsburg State 79-62 Tuesday night.

Baseball Lions to battle Arkansas tomorrow

BY ANASTASIA UMLAND
ASSISTANT EDITOR

Coming off Sunday's 23-1 loss to Oklahoma State University, the baseball team is now gearing up to challenge the University of Arkansas at 2 p.m. tomorrow in Fayetteville.

"Sunday's game helped the team a lot," said Warren Turner, head coach. "The game showed us what areas need the most improvement. Now we can work on these areas to prepare for the rest of our season."

Second baseman Tim Casper said OSU, ranked fourth in the nation, has the best offensive club in the nation.

"They were incredible," Casper said. "But we played good defense whenever

we had the opportunity."

"It was tough losing, but we learned a lesson—we still need a lot of work," said third baseman Steve Cole.

According to Turner, Arkansas has some of the "best pitching the Lions will face all season."

"I hope the guys can just be happy to have the opportunity to play such a good team and have fun," he said.

Cole said the Razorbacks have "great team speed" and are an offensive-oriented team.

"Those guys can run hard. They can steal bases all day long," Cole said.

Following this contest, the Lions will have two weeks to prepare for the Pan American University Citrus Tournament

to be held March 13-18 in Edinburg, Texas. Turner said this is an NCAA Division I tournament with only a few smaller colleges and universities participating.

"We play some of the best schools in this tournament which will polish our skills and get us ready for the [NAIA] World Series," Turner said.

The Lions are scheduled to face 18 NCAA Division I teams during the season.

"We play the Division I schools to get experience," he said. "Many of the players want to go pro, and more scouts for the professional ball clubs attend the Division I games. We really can't pass up an opportunity to play schools like OSU and Arkansas, especially when they pay for the expenses."

Lionbackers plan Casino Night to raise funding

As a way of raising additional funds to aid basketball recruiting, the Missouri Southern Lionbackers are trying something different and "exciting."

Along with the Joplin Elks Lodge No. 501, the Lionbackers will host a Full House Casino Night from 7-11 p.m. Saturday at the Elks Lodge, 1802 West 26th Street. A \$10 admission fee will be charged.

"We think it is going to be a fun night," said Jim Frazier, men's athletic director, "and the intent is to do it every year if it is a success."

Because the basketball program is "not financially solid," the program must "generate from outside sources" additional funding.

During Casino Night, several different activities will take place. A roulette table, blackjack tables, and a wheel of fortune table are a few of the "funny money gambling" tables set up for the event. There also will be a special raffle drawing with \$5,000 worth of items to be given away. One hundred fifty tickets will be sold with only 25 items to be raffled off

with pre-selected winning numbers.

The raffle will begin at 7 p.m., with raffle officials drawing six tickets at a time at a rate of 50 per hour. The last ticket drawn wins a Caribbean Cruise for two on Carnival Cruise Lines. Other prizes include a 25-inch color television, one set of four new tires, and a \$100 shopping spree. Prizes are donated by various businesses.

A silent auction and the main auction will add "excitement" to the activities. The silent auction begins at 7 p.m.

My Opinion



A fishing trip that ended prematurely

About this time each year I begin feeling depressed. Not only have I had to endure six continuous months of college, cold weather, and ice storms, but I haven't been able to go fishing.

Many people think of fishing as a sport. However, I view fishing as a constructive way of spending one's spare time.

It always seems your mother wants you to clean a garage or your girlfriend wants you to go to a movie, but sometimes a man has to do what a man has to do.

One particular fishing expedition I'd like to share with you happened three years ago. Three friends and I decided 11 p.m. was a good time for fishing one Wednesday night. The site of our adventure would be along Shoal Creek near Granby. The trip began harmless enough, but turned out to be quite eventful.

The four of us took two different cars. A new bridge had just been constructed in Granby, and we decided to park our cars on the shoulder of the bridge and make our way down the culvert and into the field.

Darren (the name's been changed), one of my fellow fishermen, isn't the smartest of sorts. He's one of the nicest people you'd ever hope to meet, but he takes along a lot of unnecessary baggage when he goes fishing. Bug spray, fillet knives, fish baskets, and an ice chest accompanied us on that particular evening.

But let's get on with our fishing tale. We made our way down to the railroad tracks and walked along the tracks approximately one-half mile before we found a place to fish. The creek was about five feet below the bank, and we had to be careful not to get too close. After we lighted our lanterns and baited our lines, we were sitting on our tackle boxes talking. Suddenly, we hear a loud crash and weird noises behind us.

We thought it sounded like a person walking, but there was nowhere for someone to walk back there. It was all shrubs, brush, and trees. We shined our flashlights around and didn't see anything. So we just kept fishing. Ten minutes later we heard more noises as if someone were walking through the brush. After we hollered several times to see if someone would answer us, we got ticked off and decided to go looking for this character.

What made it even scarier was the fact that several hobos earlier had been found wandering this portion of the creek and were told to leave by the authorities.

Nonetheless, two of my friends went looking for this guy, but didn't find anyone. One friend spun a few obscenities from his lips and the other told him he shouldn't do it. The next thing I knew they came running back into camp and said to pack up—we're getting out of here. All this time the only thing we had caught were crawdads. What a way to end the evening.

It wasn't until we were almost back to our vehicles that Darren told us he saw a pair of red eyes and had heard a sort of hissing noise. Soon we were back in our cars and racing for the comforts of town.

Though we hadn't caught any fish, it was still an interesting night. For me, the whole point of fishing is to have fun. I know there are several people out there who say they like to catch fish or they don't have fun. But that's not the truth. Everyone has fun when they go fishing because you almost never go alone.

Since that night, I have been fishing many times, and I've never quite had the time I did back then. To fish is to have fun. But to fish and actually catch some fish is great fun.

□ Jimmy Sexton is campus editor of The Chart.

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